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Nation Rejoices As India Steps Into Its Third Freedom Year

EVENTS OF THE DAY

BOMBAY, Monday.

THE second anniversary of India's independence became a historic date because of the transfer of the police administration of Chandernagore city, after 250 years of French rule to the City's Administrative Council. This marks the first step towards 'de facto' transfer of Chandernagore to the Indian Union.

After the transfer ceremony, Mr. Deben Dash, the President of the City's Administrative Council, hoisted the Indian Union flag over the Administrative Council buildings and later he and the Administrator of the town M. Talleur, took the salute at a joint parade of the French and Indian police.

In the United Provinces, the day was marked by the ushering in of Panchayat Raj in the Province's 1,40,000 villages. about 15,00,000 members of Goan Panchayats or villages republics took the solemn oath of loyalty to the State and service of the people before they started functioning today.

In Bombay, 7,00,000 people who till yesterday lay under the stigma of criminal tribes were today having their first glow of freedom from all restrictions. The Backward Classes Minister, Mr. G. D. Tapase yesterday cut through the barbed wire fencing round a Criminal tribes settlement near Sholapur symbolishing the freeing of all criminal tribes in the Province following the repeal of the Criminal Tribes Act.

Today was also 78th birthday of Sri Aurobindo, the Philosopher sage of India who has made Pondicherry his headquarters for the past forty years.

In the midst of the Independence Day celebration, many thousands of people in the important cities of the country gathered at post offices to obtain the Government of India Archeological stamp series. In Bombay, over 50,000 people including a large number of philatelists visited the General Post Office and 40 divisional post offices to buy up these stamps which were on sale to mark the second anniversary of India's independence. About Rs. 3,00,000 worth of stamps were sold today, a Bombay postal official said in the evening.

A sad event of the day was the death in Guntur of the Veteran Andhra Congressman, Deshabandhu Konda Vengetappaya, who played a notable part in the achievement of the independence which his countrymen were celebrating today.

GANDHIJI'S VOICE IS REMEMBERED

BOMBAY, Monday.

MAHATMA GANDHI virtually dominated the Indian scene today as the nation celebrated the second anniversary of her independence. From platforms throughout country, the leaders reminded the people of the Mahatma's teachings and the debt the country owed him.

The air from morning till late at night was filled with music—the favourite prayer songs of the Mahatma and songs by National poets on the Mahatma, played incessantly from gramophones or on the radio—and Mahatma's own voice played to the country by the All-India Radio.

At the Red Fort flag-hoisting ceremony this morning the Prime Minister told the gathering: "We have the light of Gandhiji to cheer us. It lifted our hearts and gave us inner strength. An ideal was created before us which beckoned us forward."

Thousands of processions and prabhat pheries all over the country carried the garlanded portraits of the Mahatma in reverence at the head of the processions. His portraits again formed the central figure of many a decorative Independence Day adornment in homes and shop windows.

In the capital, the day started with men and women gathering in their thousands at the Samadhi of Mahatma Gandhi at Rajghat. They watched in respectful silence as the Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru walked barefoot to the Samadi and laid a wreath.

He was followed by General K. M. Cariappa, Commander-in-Chief, Indian Army, who placed a wreath on behalf of the Army.

SEWAGRAM AND ELSEWHERE

At Sewagram, near Wardha, which was the Mahatma's headquarters for many years before his death, the inmates of the Ashram and workers from other institutions, went to the small mud hut where the Mahatma lived and worked. They placed flowers on the Mahatma's sandals.

In Bombay, Mr. S. K. Patil, President of the B.P.C.C., reminded a large gathering at Gowalia tank of the "Mantram" of "Do or Die" which the Father of the Nation gave them seven years ago when at the same spot he launched the "Quit India" campaign.

At Calcutta a statute of Mahatma Gandhi "watched" over the scene. when a thousand charkas whirred in unison in the marble hall of Government House. Later in a broadcast Dr. Kailas Nath Katju referred to this thus: "Listening to the music of the spinning wheel and songs in its praise, we thought of our immortal 'Bapu', who two years ago, wrought a miracle and exercised the demon of communal hatred and violence from this great city and restored sanity, peace and goodwill."

Hoisting the flag over Sadaquat Ashram in Patna, Pandit Prajapathi Misra told the people: "On this day our mind will naturally turn in humble and prayerful spirit to the Father of the Nation, who successfully led the country's caravan to the present height and glory."

PROCESSIONS

The day dawned in many cities and towns to the beat of drums and communal singing as "Prabhat Pheries", big and small, wended their way through the streets, many carrying garlanded portraits of Mahatma Gandhi.

Citizens in many cities had earlier watched torchlight processions lighting up the streets shortly after the midnight hour and heard temple and church bells ring in the auspicious day.

Colourful parades in which the armed forces, the police and the home guards took part, ceremonial flag salutations, mass spinning and prayers in temples, mosques and churches formed other features of the day's programme in most cities and towns.

School children had their own little celebrations. Dressed in their best, they gathered in their schools and saluted the national flag. Their teachers spoke to them of the significance of the day and later they dispersed happily each with a present of sweets in his or her hands to remember the great day.

ACCENT ON FOOD

Great emphasis was placed on food production. Ceremonial planting of trees was a feature of this programme and the Prime Minister Pandit Nehru himself led this campaign when he planted a tree at Rajghat near the Mahatma's 'Samadhi' after the prayer meeting there in the morning. Later, he told the vast gathering at the Red Fort Flag salutation ceremony that whoever wasted food at this juncture committed a crime against the country. He appealed to the people to conserve food.

The Food Minister, Mr. Jairamdas Doulatram, told a gathering of the Central Tractor organisation of the Ministry of Agriculture at New Delhi: "Reclamation of culturable wasteland is an important part of the 'Grow More Food' campaign and the country expects a good deal from the Central Tractor Organisation."

FOREMOST PROBLEM

Mr. Magaldas Pakvasa, Governor of the Central Provinces, told a radio

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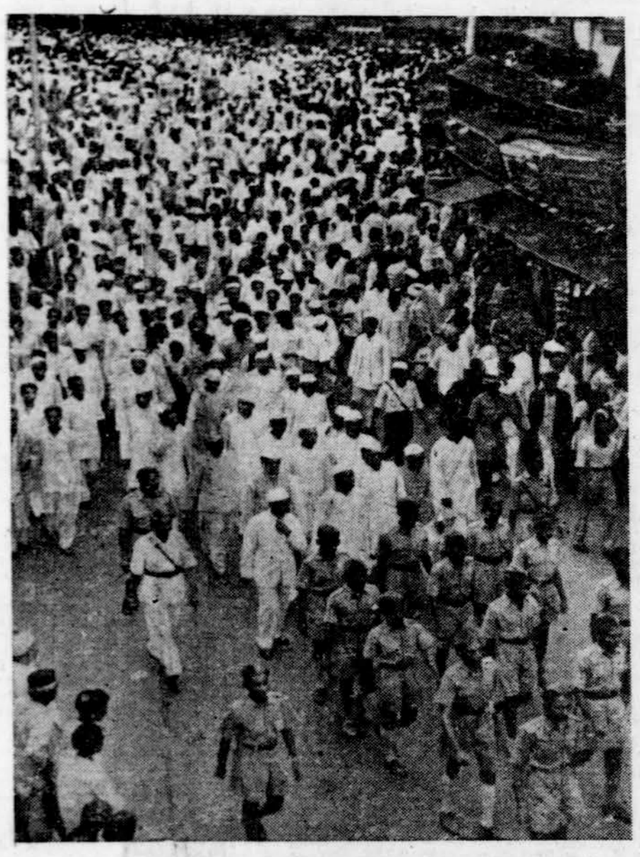
PROCESSION IN BOMBAY ON I-DAY



A gigantic procession wended its way through Bombay's streets on Monday and gathered in the evening at Chowpatty where Premier Kher addressed the people. The above is a view of the procession.

RISE ABOVE PETTY SQUABBLES

Mr. Kher Calls For Unstinted Public Co-operation

BOMBAY, Monday.

A PASSIONATE appeal to the people of the Province to follow the path of truth and non-violence, shown by the Father of the Nation "Mahatma Gandhi", was made by the Premier of Bombay, Mr. B. G. Kher, delivering his Independence Day message at a crowded meeting at Chowpatty this evening.

About 30,000 citizens of Bombay throbbed the sands of Chowpatty to listen to the message of the Premier on the second anniversary of India's independence. Mr. S. K. Patil, President of the B.P.C.C. was in the chair.

A slight drizzle greeted the crowds who assembled at Chowpatty long before the meeting was to start.

"It is foolish to think", the Premier said, "that the light of Ahimsa—Mahatma Gandhi has disappeared. Though he is not bodily with us today, his spirit leads us through the right path."

Striking a note of cheer and optimism, that a bright future awaits this country, Mr. Kher asked the audience to shed up the fear of despair and despondency. He also reminded them of their duties and responsibilities towards the country.

Continuing the Premier said 'that the problems with which India was faced after the advent of freedom were of such a magnitude that any other Government would have collapsed, "but thanks to the able leadership of our leaders, we have successfully solved our problems."

Appealing to the people to give their unstinted co-operation to Government to solve the various problems with which the country was faced, Mr. Kher observed that no Prime Minister or Government, however efficient, could run the administration of the country unless they had the fullest co-operation of the people.

Speaking about the Bombay Government's achievements during the course of the last two years, the Premier stated that the Government had made great strides in the field of agriculture reforms, prohibition and education. He made particular mention of Money-lenders Act, and prohibition, which, he said, had been introduced to improve the lot of the working class.

Concluding, the Premier exhorted the people to rise above petty squabbles and consolidate the hard-won freedom and face the several problems confronting the country, with courage and confidence.

Earlier, Mr. S. K. Patil asked the audience to offer prayers for the early recovery of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

FORGET LANGUAGE CONTROVERSY

Pandit Nehru's Tip

NEW DELHI, August 15 (PTI).—The Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, said here today that all the languages spoken in the country should be allowed free opportunity to grow and prosper in their respective regions. Primary education to a child "must be given in its regional language", he added.

Pandit Nehru, who was speaking at the Independence Day celebrations of the Maharashtrians in Delhi, said that it was futile to indulge in language controversy. The greatness of "our country" had been that in spite of its vastness and the existence of different languages and customs among its people, the country maintained its homogeneity. This homogeneity, he pleaded, was their unique heritage and sholud be preserved at all cost to make India free and prosperous.

When presented with a replica of the Asoka Pillar on behalf of Maharashtrians in Delhi, Pandit Nehru said that he was happy that the replica presented to him was not of gold or silver. He said that there was a tendency in the country to waste money by presenting gold and silver caskets. This practice should be discontinued. If it was at all necessary to present anything, it should rather be an artistic present which could attract human minds.

Earlier, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, welcomed Pandit Nehru and said that it was an honour for them to have amidst them the Premier of the country.

SARDAR SPENDS QUIET DAY IN SECLUSION

Countrywide Prayers For Speedy Recovery

BOMBAY, Monday.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's Deputy Prime Minister, spent a quiet day here today away from the nationwide celebrations which marked the second anniversary of India's independence.

The Deputy Prime Minister, who is under medical treatment, was resting in the palatial Birla House at Mount Pleasant Road, as thousands of his countrymen and admirers remembered him on this day and prayed for his speedy recovery.

Sardar Patel recevied telegrams of greetings from all over the country which expressed the hope that he would soon be back at his post.

A member of the staff of the Deputy Prime Minister told the P.T.I. that the first thing the Sardar did in the morning was to scan the copious special independence day numbers of the city's newspapers.

KAREN REBELS' SUCCESS

Two Towns Taken

RANGOON, Aug. 15 (PTI-Reuter):—Karen rebels, striking back against the Central Government's latest drive, have occupied two more Burma towns, it was officially stated here to-day.

To-day's military communique reported that they had captured the rice centre Nga Thain Gyaing, about 60 miles north of the Irrawaddy delta port of Bassein.

Officials also stated that rebel forces overpowered a small Government garrison stationed at Taungyi, capital of Burma's Shan States, and took control of the town on Saturday. Taungyi is about 300 miles north of Bassein.

DROWNING TRAGEDY

BOMBAY, Monday: A drowning tragedy occurred in the sea near Versova, a suburb of Bombay, in the early hours of this morning. The victim was 27.

It is learnt that Framroz Byramji Toddywalla, the deceased, was a resident of Malcolm Baug at Jogeshwari, who had gone on a picnic party along with fifteen others in celebration of the Independence Day. Arriving at the beach, some of them went for a dip in the sea. Soon after, Framroz was found to be missing.

He was later washed ashore in an unconscious condition, and was quickly removed to the Refugees' Hospital nearby, where he died in the evening.

SOCIAL SECURITY FOR COMMON MAN

Sheikh Abdullah's Plea For Mobilising Resources

SRINAGAR, August 15. (P.T.I.): In an Independence Day broadcast from Srinagar tonight Sheikh Mohd. Abdullah, the Kashmir Premier, called upon the people to mobilise their resources to end end social injustice and economic exploitation so that the growth of democratic institutions and traditions might be quickened.

He said: "We should lend all our energies to guarantee to the command man social security, material prosperity and cultural regeneration. In this way only can we make our freedom complete.

"During the past two years we have travelled a long way but we cannot say with assurance that we are completely out of the wood. Although communalism has ceased to be aviru-lent disease, it has not been rooted out totally for our public life and there is still a real danger that it may raise its ugly head along with other disruptive forces if we relax our vigilance".

WAR PSYCHOLOGY

"The present state of trained international relations have been tarnished with war psychology and the people of the world are once again tortured by uncertainties of the future. This greatly added to our troubles.

"While celebrating our freedom we should once again proclaim our faith in world peace and international amity without which progress and happiness of our people and of any people will be impossible".

UGLY HYSTERIA IN KARACHI

Mob Objects To Hoisting Of Indian Tricolour

POLICE FIRING KILLS ONE

KARACHI, August 15 [(P. T. I.-Reuter).

POLICE opened fire here today on thousands of Muslims demonstrating outside the staff quarters of the Indian High Commissioner to Pakistan, Dr Sita Ram. One demonstrator was killed and several seriously injured.

Hundreds of police were rushed to the building, which is in one of Karachi's main thoroughfares, when a crowd began demonstrating against the raising of the Indian Union Flag outside the Indian Commissioner's quarters on Independence Day.

Khwaja Shahabuddin, Pakistan's Minister of the Interior, tried to quieten the mob from the roof of a motor car, but could not make himself heard above the tumult.

As the crowd swelled to several thousands and became threatening, the flag was removed and police began firing into the air.

This failed to disperse the crowd, and they began climbing over the gate of the building. The police fired one volley directly at them, killing one man and wounding several others.

The crowd finally dispersed when the police laid down a heavy fog of tear gas and made determined charges to clear nearby side-streets.

Pakistan Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan later inspected the damage.

The disturbance followed the hoisting of an Indian Union flag outside the High Commissioner's quarters. Police rushed to the scene, fired rifles and threw tear gas bombs to disperse the crowd.

DETAILS

Giving details of the incident the Pakistan Associated Press reported that all the Indian Embassy staff, outside whose house the demonstration took place were safe. The agency reported that one man was killed and four others injured in the police firing. Five policemen were also injured. Firing was resorted to after a lathicharge and a tear-gas charge had failed to disperse the hostile crowd.

The agency added that the Pakistan Premier himself later reached the spot and appealed to the people to disperse. He asked the crowd to go back and pray for the deceased, whom the Premier described as "a martyr in the cause of safeguarding the honour of the Pakistan flag."

According to the Pakistan Associated Press the crowd objected to "a solo Indian Union flag" flying over the building occupied by members of the staff of the Indian Embassy to mark Indian Independence Day. The inmates of the house hoisted a Pakistan flag side by side with the Indian Union flag, but the crowd was not satisfied with the size of the Pakistan flag. More people joined the hostile crowd which began to stone the house; police reinforcements arrived at the scene and threw a cordon round the building.

Towards the evening the situation was returning to normal, the agency added.

Incidents In Calcutta

BID TO BREAK UP MEETING

CALCUTTA, Aug. 15 (PTI).

SOME minor incidents occurred here today when small groups of people in certain parts of the City attempted to interfere with the peaceful observance of the Independence Day today.

One person was injured when a cracker was thrown at a state bus in Mirjapur Street in Central Calcutta. Two men were arrested in this connection. Crackers were also thrown on two workers' processions carrying national flags, in Beliaghata area this morning. But no one was injured.

Four persons were arrested in North Calcutta for distributing prejudicial leaflets in the morning.

SLOGAN-SHOUTING

There was a minor clash between two groups of people, one shouting anti-Commonwealth slogans and the other Congress slogans, at the Howrah Maidan, in the afternoon.

The former group, after holding a meeting in the Maidan, came out in a procession shouting anti-Commonwealth slogans and, after proceeding a little distance, they came into clash with a procession of workers shouting Congress slogans. The police, who were on patrol duty, rushed to the spot and immediately dispersed the crowd.

The situation in Howrah following last night's clashes in different parts of the city arising out of a football match, remained peaceful today. The police, who had opened fire once to disperse a riotous mob in the Howrah Maidan yesterday evening, continued to patrol the affected areas today.

REFUGEES' CRITICISM

Several hundred East Bengal refugees, including women and children, held a protest meeting at Wellington Square today, when speakers criticised the Congress Government for their alleged failure to solve the refugee problem.

Presiding over another protest meeting at the same place later in the evening, the Forward Bloc leader, Pandit Sheel Bhadra Yajee said that Congress had "betrayed the cause of real freedom." He appealed to the people to continue their fight till freedom of Netaji's conception was achieved.

Similar protest meetings were also held at Sraddhananda Park and Mohammadali Park. One person was taken into custody from the Mohammadali Park for distributing allegedly prejudicial leaflets.

Election Clash Near Amritsar

AMRITSAR, August 15, (PTI): Two rival parties clashed at an election meeting at Chotherta, an industrial colony near here, resulting in injuries to nine persons.

The meeting was held under the local Congress auspices in connection with the by-election to the East Punjab Assembly.

The police promptly quelled the disorder and the meeting continued.

POSTAL THREAT

INDORE, August 15, (PTI): Syed Hamid Ali, ex-Minister of Madhya Bharat has received a warning letter from East Pakistan to "beware of his utterances against Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Prime Minister of Pakistan."

The letter released to the press by him branded Syed Hamid Ali as an "agent of Hindus."

Syed Hamid Ali recently deprecated Pakistan Premier Liaquat Ali Khan's statement on Id-ul-Fitr when he said Muslims in India were not free to celebrate the Id Festival.

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By order of the
Vice-Chancellor,
S. R. DONGERKERY,
University Registrar.

Bombay, 12th August, 1949.
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UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY.

ANNUAL CONVOCATION FOR CONFERRING DEGREES

MEMBERS of the Senate and Honorary Fellows are requested to be present in the University Library, Ground Floor, NOT later than 5-15 p.m. Visitors are requested to be in their seats in the Convocation Hall NOT LATER than 5-15 p.m. Admission cards must be shown at the main entrance to the Hall.

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S. R. DONGERKERY,
University Registrar.

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Estimates can be seen in the Municipal office during office hours.

D. SHUKLA,
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Rajnandgaon, C.P.
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INVITATION TO JOIN SOCIALIST PARTY

Jayaprakash Wants A Strong Opposition To Congress

PATNA, Aug. 14. (PTI): Mr. Jaya Prakash Narayan, the Socialist leader, addressing a public meeting here this evening held out an open invitation to men of all vocations to come under the banner of the Socialist Party in thousands and thus create an alternative to the Congress Party and replace the present Government with one of their choice and making

"Unless the people organise a more powerful party than the Congress", Mr. Narayan said, "they cannot replace the present Government and bring an end to their misery". I want you to join the Socialist Party only because I think that this is the only right course left for us", he added.

He countered the allegation made against the Socialists that they were fond of pelf and power and said that even men like Sardar Patel had publicly stated that the Congress had invited the Socialists to join the Government many a time but they had declined.

Referring to the provincial administration Mr. Narayan said that the Congress Ministry was in office for the past three years in the province but the plight of the people had hardly improved.

Compared with the British days the administration of the province, Mr. Narayan said, had deteriorated considerably and in every department of the Government there was unspeakable lack of initiative, confusion and inefficiency.

Corruption and nepotism have been on the increase. Schemes, plans and legislation were mostly on paper and nothing seemed to have moved forward. Whether in education, health, sanitation, municipal administration, local self Government, agriculture, irrigation etc., There is not only no progress but definite set back showing signs of decay", he said.

Mr. Narayan referred to the curtailment of civil liberties in the province and the opportunities to the opposition party for public work and said no meetings or processions could be held or taken out without the previous sanction of the collector. At times of emergency it was no doubt justifiable, but at the present moment it only meant that the party in power wanted to silence the opposition party.

NEW SOCIAL ORDER IN INDIA

Vartak On Place Of Village Panchayats

BOMBAY, Monday.

"The Village Panchayats have a special significance in our social order, since future administrators of the country will come from the villages It is, therefore, very necessary that these Panchayats are built on sound foundation and develop rapidly. They alone can lead us to the long-cherished dream of Ramraj of the Father of the Nation," observed Mr. G. D. Vartak, Minister for Local Self-Government, in a broadcast speech on Monday, August 15, from the Bombay Station of the All-India Radio on the occasion of second anniversary of the Independence Day. He also exhorted educated persons to devote their energies to the development of primary unit of democracy in our country.

Enumerating the various odds which the Congress Government at the Centre had to face in the two years of freedom, Shri Vartak said that the Government had, on the whole, fared admirably, especially in respect of integration of hundreds of scattered States and stabilising the war-torn economy. Speaking of the Bombay Government's achievements during this period, the Minister stated that Provincial Government had made great strides in the field of agricultural reforms, education and Prohibition. He made particular mention of the various measures, such as Moneylenders' Act, Tenancy Act, etc., which Bombay Government had enacted to better th econdition of agriculturists in this Province.

Concluding the Minister appealed to the people of the Province to do their bit to solve the different problems which the country is facing to-day and see that Ramraj, which was long-cherished dream of the Father of the Nation, was established in the country.

BANK EMPLOYEES' COUNCIL TO MEET

Demands To Be Put Before Tribunal

BENARES, August 14. (PTI): Mr. Soumendra Nath Tagore, President of the All-India Bank Employees Association, addressing a meeting this evening said that the Bank Employees Council which was to meet at Lucknow on August 20 will formulate the demands to be put before the Bank Employees Tribunal.

"We will also discuss the ways and means for the grant of interim relief till the award of the Tribunal was out and if necessary we might resort to an all-India token strike," he said.

The India Bank Employees Association with its strength of 60,000 membership was not likely to merge in any other all-India trade union organisation for, such a move would split their organisation, he added.

BASIS FOR ARMED TRAINING

Morarji Commends Value Of Discipline

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister Government of Bombay inspected the Junior Division Units of the National Cadet Corps of five different schools of Bombay at a combined ceremonial parade held at the Robert Money School Ground, this afternoon.

Addressing the cadets Mr. Desai exhorted the youths to take to military training. India needed, he said, a strong military force to defend herself from foreign aggression as well as to protect oppressed and weak neighbouring countries.

Mr. Desai further stressed the value of discipline among the rank and file of the country's youth, and the need for building up a sterling character These were essentials without which no military training could be complete.

Concluding the Home Minister congratulated the cadets on their supper display.

The five schools which took part in the parade included A. E. S. High School, Hind Vidyalava, The New Era, Robert Money and Seth D.G.T. High Schools. Mr. M. T. Vyas, Principal of the New Era High School welcomed the Home Minister.

INTUC STARTED TO DISRUPT AIRF

Narendra Deva Warns Railwaymen

ALLAHABAD, Aug. 15 (PTI):—Acharya Narendra Deva, Socialist leader, inaugurating the divisional conference of the East India Railway Employees Union yesterday said that the Government through the Congress had raised a parallel organisation, namely the Indian National Trade Union Congress, to disrupt the All-India Railwaymen's Federation, which had been working for the past 25 years in the cause of the railwaymen quite independently, uninfluenced by any political party. Therefore, he cautioned the conference against the INTUC and its objective tactics.

Mr. Deva said that the present policy of their government would never help in solving the many difficult problems facing the country. On the other hand, he said, it would further cofuse the problems.

He said, if the Indian Government was really anxious to lead the country to a prosperous State and make the people happy and contented, it was their duty to create a new hope among the labourers. There should be no inequality between labour and capitalism and labour must be made to share the profit with the employers.

He asked the railwaymen to work in harmony to bring about change in the outlook of society to make the common man happy and prosperous.

CO-OPERATION IN FOOD DRIVE

A. I. C. C. Call To P. C. C.s

NAGPUR, Aug. 15. (P.T.I.): A directive has been issued by the All-India Congress Committee to Provincial Congress organisations to extend full co-operation to governmenats in stpping up food production, it was learnt here.

The A. I. C. C. circular letter calls upon Congress workers to concentrate their attention on this problem and make sustained efforts within their areas by direct approach to cultivators.

Provincial Congress Committees have been further asked to submit monthly reports to the headquarters on the progress of the food self-sufficiency drive through unofficial channels.

PANCHAYAT RAJ COMES TO U. P.

15 Lakh Members Take Oath

LUCKNOW, August 15 (PTI).—India's Second Independence Anniversary has ushered in Panchayat Raj in United Provinces 1,14,000 villages.

About 15 lakh members of Gaon Panchayats or village republics took the solemn oath of loyalty to the State and service of the people before they started functioning todav.

Hailed as a step towards the establishment of Ram Rajya—the dream of Mahatma Gandhi—the 35,000 Gaon Panchavats will cover all aspects of village life—social, economic, moral and political—affecting 5,40,00,000 rural population of the Province.

The election of the Gaon Panchayats was itself an unprecedented event in this country. Under universal adult franchise comprising 2,70,00,000 men and women as electorate, the election was held last summer on the basis of joint-electorates.

EXECUTIVE BODIES

The Gaon Panchayats will look after education, sanitation, health, agricultural development, etc., of the villages. The Panchayats are only Executive Committees of the Assembly of Adults or Gaon Sabhas in the Province. The Assembly of Adults will meet twice a year and will take stock of the work done by their executives. They will also approve taxation proposals.

Panchayats Adalats or Judicial Panchayats, numbering about 8,000, have been constituted to deal with minor civil suits and revenue and criminal cases.

The U.P. Government has sanctioned over Rs. one crore as subsidies to Gaon Panchayats in connection with preliminary expenses and expenditure to be incurred on the inspectorate staff.

Besides the Premier, Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, Dr. Kailashnath Katju, Governor of West Bengal and Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, Ambassador in U.S.A., were closely associated with Panchayat Raj Act under which the village panchayats have been constituted. Dr. Katju as Minister of Justice in the U.P. Cabinet drafted the Bill, while Mrs. Pandit as Local Self-Government Minister piloted it in the Provincial Legislature.

R. S. S. CHIEF TO MEET SARDAR

NAGPUR, Aug. 15 (UPI): Mr. M. S. Golwalkar, the R.S.S. Chief, left for Bombay this afternoon to meet Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's Deputy Prime Minister and is returning to Nagpur on August 18.

On the eve of his departure for Bombay the R.S.S. Chief told the United Press of India that after his return to Nagpur he would proceed to Delhi on August 20 to meet Mr. R. K. Patil, Food Commissioner of the Government of India to discuss with him matters connected with the food production drive of the Government of India and to acquaint himself with the present food situation in the country.

It may be recalled that Mr. R. K. Patil, had invited the co-operation of the R.S.S. organisation as an organisation and of its members as individuals with a view to securing self-sufficiency in regard to food.

NO PRIVATE HOSPITALITY

Directive To East Punjab Officials

SIMLA, Aug. 15, (P.T.I.): Ministers and Government officials in East Punjab have been forbidden to accept private hospitality while on official tour and they will stay in Public Works Department rest houses instead of making arrangements elsewhere. This was disclosed today by Premier Bhimsen Sachar speaking on the occasion of Flag Hoisting Ceremony in connection with the Independence Day.

The Premier announced that all posts of Rs. 50 and above will in future be filled on the recommendations of the Public Service Commission and said that this step would bring to an end complaints of nepotism, favouritism or inefficiency in the services.

Mr. Sachar also announced that it had been decided to release Socialists arrested in connection with the 'Satyagraha' organised against the ejectment of tenants by landlords in Hissar.

He said it was intended to select a central town for resettlement of displaced industrial, commercial and educational interests after the rains were over and expressed his determination to shift the East Punjab capital from Simla to some place in the plains sometime after next winter. The high court would also be shifted to that place, he added.

Ford To Help Grow Food

USING technique similar to that which enabled them to make such a spectacular and invaluable contribution to the war effort, Ford Motor Company of India Ltd. have put their Tractor Division on an emergency basis for purposes of bringing their vast resources to bear on the food supply problem out of which has arisen the "Grow More Food" Campaign.

ENGLISH EXAMPLE

A spokesman for the Company—who has come out from the English factory, outlined Ford plans in this connection and gave some extremely interesting facts and figures. He said, the U-boat campaign, loss of shipping, heavy calls made by movement of troops and equipment, and other factors, brought England almost to the verge of starvation. The people were faced with a major problem—how to feed themselves. Parklands, gardens and every available piece of land had to be cultivated. There was only one way to do this, and that was through the extensive use of tractors and modern farming equipment. Ford in England realised the magnitude of the emergency and the gravity of the situation, and thousands of tractors and implements were manufactured and put into service. In a short time, every piece of land on which food could grow was under cultivation—no less than 1,36,811 new Fordson Tractors being put into use in England from September 1939 to V-J Day. During 1940-45, thanks to mechanization, British farmers increased total crops by 2,07,67,000 tons; and of all tractors produced in the United Kingdom 94 per cent were Fordson."

EMERGENCY MEASURES

"The present emergency in India is comparbale," he continued, "but can be surmounted by careful planning and tactics. The resources of Fordindia are being thrown into the scale against the new enemy, starvation, and our Tractor Division has been put on an emergency basis. Large stocks of Tractors, Implements and Spare Parts are being held at Fordindia Branches at Bombay, Calcutta and Madras. Distribution has been arranged through centres strategically placed at Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Delhi, Lucknow, Madura, Trichinopoly, Ootacamund, Bangalore, Mysore, Hyderabad, Nagpur Ahmedabad, Benares, Rajkot, Jodhpur Dibrugarh, Satna, and Cutch Mandvi. At each of these points, stocks of Tractors, Implements and Spare Parts will be held in plenty, and further centres will be opened up according to availability of supplies and needs of various areas. The Ford factory at Dagenham, where Fordson Major Tractors are manufactured, are giving top priority to the needs of India; and arrangements have been concluded to ensure a smooth and steady flow of all erquirements needed to combat the present emergency."

TRAINING TRACTOR DRIVERS

"The other and equally important aspect of the problem—training in how to handle and service tractors—is similarly receiving the attention it requires. Based on the set-up which enabled Fordindia to train 8,800 men in the years 1940-45 and a further 600 in the year 1946, Tractor Schools have already been established in Bombay, Calcutta and Madras."

Mr. B. O. Stevenson, Canadian Director of Ford Motor Company of India Ltd., said: "To us, as Canadians, the present emergency has a somewhat personal angle. Farming in Canada is practically 100 per cent mechanized, and we know what a sound agricultural economy can contribute to the economy of any country as a whole. I am satisfied that tractors and modern farming equipment can and will contribute towards a solution of the present problem. We are genuinely anxious to do all we can in this regard, and our Tractor Division will remain on an emergency basis until the position improves to a point where India is at least approaching self-sufficiency in basic food supplies."

3 FORWARD BLOCISTS ARRESTED

PATNA, August 15. (P.T.I.): Three members of the Forward Bloc were arrested here this morning by the police under Section 151 Cr. P. C. (to prevent breach of peace) while they were hoisting a "black flag" in their office premises.

Those arrested included Fazlur Rahman, member of the Central Executive of the All India Forward Bloc and Mr. Ramayyan Singh, Secretary of the Bihar Provincial Forward Bloc.

In pursuance of the directive of the All India Forward Block the Bihar Provincial Forward Bloc is observing a "Protest Day" on August 15 by hoisting black flags.

Move To Enforce Bhagalpur Congress Decisions

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)
PATNA, (By Mail)

IT is understood that the Bihar Provincial Congress Committee in pursuance of the famous Bhagalpur resolution has written to the Leader of the Congress party in the Bihar Legislature as well as to all the ministers individually to implement the various relevant items thereof.

It is also learnt that the B.P.C.C. has written to the ministers of the Central Government, namely, Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Mr. K. C. Neogy and Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherji intimating them the Bhagalpur resolution on the removal of controls.

It is further learnt in this connection that all arrangements are on way to carry through the spirit of the resolution as far as the Bihar Congressmen are concerned and the Premier, Dr. S. K. Sinha, has already discussed the matter with his few colleagues of his cabinet as well as the Bihar Congress Chief and his secretary.

The decision is broad-based and it is expected that all Congressmen, Congress M.L.A.s, and M. L.C.s will be asked to sever all connections with any trade and show their bank accounts and other details of their earnings.

No imposing ceremony will mark the observance of the second anniversary of Indian independence.

Legislative measures to save the poor classes of Labour particularly the Harijans and the Adibasis employed in industrial corporations and Municipalities in Singhbhum district has been suggested to the Bihar Premier, Dr. S. K. Sinha in the course of a memorandum by the Singhbhum District Harijan Sevak Sangh.

The memorandum suggests that the Government should extend to the Harijan community the same privilege as given to the adibasis of Kolhan area in respect of civil suits and the Government should declare a moratorium for a period of three years or should take any other measure which may give some immediate relief to these people pending suitable legislation on the subject.

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Domestic Occurrence

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BAI RATANBAI N. D. Nariman, widow of Gustadji D. Nariman, Mother of Roshan, Barjor Sanjana, sister of Piroja, Shirinbai, Goolmai and late Jermai, Bhekhimai and Nadirsha, Oothamna at 3-30 p.m. Doongerwady, on 16th.

Today's Engagements

RAHNUMAE SABHA: Dastur Bode's lecture at Cama Hall, on "Zoroastrianism is against superstition and idolatry", 6-15 p.m.

"Let us pledge ourselves to the service of a great land" said Mr. M. C. Setalvad, Advocate-General of India, presiding over the anniversary of independence at the Ismail Yusuf College, Jogeshwari on Monday.

AHMEDABAD, Aug. 15. (PTI): The bodies of the two Communist detenus who were killed in yesterday's disturbance in Sabarmati central jail have been handed over to the inmates of Mahatma Gandhi's Sabarmati Harijan Ashram for cremation.

NEW WEEKLY FROM DELHI.

NEW DELHI, Aug. 14. (UPI): A new English weekly entitled 'The Nationalist' made it. appearance here today under the editorship of Mr. H. L. Saxena.

Governor Takes Salute At The Stadium

MAYOR'S PLEA TO CITIZENS FOR NATIONAL SERVICE

BOMBAY, Monday.

Flags flew aloft from windows and roof tops, on vehicles and flag-posts set in every maidan in the city this morning, as the citizens streamed out of their homes with joyful faces to participate in a wide variety of activity in connection with the second anniversary of India's Independence.

Solemn flag hoisting ceremonies, processions, meetings, shouting of slogans, singing of songs and the staging of plays, were some of the ways in which the people expressed their feelings.

There was no locality, no mohalla, no wadi, no school or institution of any kind which had not its own special day-long programme. While interest centred round a few leading items, the local programmes were no way neglected.

The formal official observances for the day started off with an imposing Parade of the armed forces at the Brabourne stadium where, H.E. Raja Maharajsingh, Governor of Bombay, took the salute. Although there was no route march as on this day last year, the troops Marched Past in formation in rain-free and agreeable weather.

The central function for the morning organised by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee came off at the Gowalia Tank Maidan, where Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay and President of the B.P.C.C. hoisted the National flag and made a brief exhortation to build up true nationalism by walking in the footsteps of the Mahatma.

At noon, today, as sirens gave the call, vehicular traffic came to a dead stop along the city's streets and a two minutes' silence was observed, in honour of the fallen heroes in the struggle for Freedom.

The Ceremonial Parade of the Armed Forces, which took place at the Brabourne Stadium this morning, was highly impressive. Thousands of citizens had turned up and all the stands were packed to capacity.

The Governor of Bombay, Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, took the salute. Among those present were Mr. B. G. Kher with his Cabinet colleagues, Mr. M. C. Chagla, Chief Justice, Judges of the Bombay High Court, Consular representatives of different nations, Presidency Magistrates, high-ranking Civilians, and important social and industrial figures in the life of Bombay.

When the Governor, accompanied by Rani Maharaj Singh, drove up to the premises of the Stadium, a minute before 9.30 — the time scheduled for the Parade—he was received by Major General Brar, Area Commander, Bombay, who led him to the Saluting Dais.

FORMATION OF PARADE

The formation of the Parade was: Left, Units of the Royal Indian Navy, Royal Indian Artillery, Royal Indian Engineers and the 17th Sikh Regiment; Front, 17th Sikh Regiment, 30th Defence Battalion, Indian Territorial Force and the National Cadet Corps; Right, National Cadet Corps, Royal Indian Air Force, the police and the Home Guards. To the extreme right of the Saluting Dais was a unit of the Women's Section of the Bombay Home Guards.

The Women Home Guards added a dash of colour to the Parade, by their uniforms of snow-white Kurta and Shelwar, with slanting sky-blue caps and sashes to match.

The Order of the Day, was, the taking over the Parade by Brigadier Madhav Sinhji, followed by other items. As soon as the Governor stepped on the Dais at 9-35, he was received with a Royal Salute. The Armoured Police Band and the Royal Indian Naval Band, which were in attendance played" God Save the King" and the opening bars of "Jana Gana Mana".

This was succeded by the unfurling of the Dominion Flag by His Excellency to the accompaniment of the National Anthem, a salvo of 21 guns and a salute by the Parade with "present arms".

The Governor then inspected the parade. He was accompanied by Major-General Brar and Brigadier Madhav Sinhji. After His Excellency spoke a few extempore words to the gathering, the Parade Marched Past.

While the whole parade which lasted from 9-35 to 10-15, was a magnificent affair, there were two unfortunate accidents which involved a woman Home Guard and a Petty Officer of the R.I.N. The strain of standing at attention exposed to the sun's rays, seems to have been too much for both, who fainted a few minutes after the Parade began, and had to be removed on stretchers. The Women's Section of the Home Guard was made to disperse after the mishap to one of its members, and did not participate in the Ceremonial March Past.

AUSPICIOUS OCCASION

Addressing the Parade, the Governor said that he felt happy to say a few words on the auspicious occasion. He congratulated the Combined Services and the Police and the Home Guards on their smart turn-out. It gave him great pleasure to notice that the Home Guard movement, had a women's section. Ten years ago, this would have been unthinkable.

The Governor said that this day last year the Hyderabad problem was still before the nation. But, thanks to the devoted loyalty of the Armed Forces of India, that problem had been solved. The Armed Forces, the Governments and the People were like the different fingers on the palm of the hand. What affected one, affected all. "We have the fullest confidence in your abilities and devotion to duty", he added.

The Home Guards, he felt, would play an increasingly important role in the affairs of the Province. Government was prepared to help the organisation in all possible ways.

Remarking that in the wake of freedom, everyone's responsibility had increased—the Government, the people and the Defence Forces—he exhorted everybody to take a pledge to implement Pandit Nehru's appeal for greater food production. He made a special appeal about bringing fallow lands under the plough, and ended the brief address with "Jai Hind".

SEARCH HEARTS

"On this auspices day when we all celebrate the second anniversary of our independence, let us all search our hearts and think seriously of what we have done in the past two years to carry on the legacy of the Father of the Nation," said Mr. S. K. Patil, President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, unfurling the national flag at the historical Gowalia Tank Maidan.

A large gathering had assembled at the Maidan to witness the flag salutation ceremony performed by the President of the B.P.C.C., who took the salute of Congress volunteers and Desh Sevikas and Kumarikas. The function heralded the Independence Day celebrations of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee in the city.

Mr. Patil said that looking round at the green pastures of Gowalia Tank Maidan, his mind was filled with memories of their heroic struggle for freedom. They would all remember those days of destiny when Mahatma Gandhi gave them the "mantram" "Do or Die!" That was seven years ago and since then a vast change had come over this ancient land. Two years had rolled by and Indians were tasting the fruits of freedom.

"But, today, when we take the vow of dedicating ourselves to the task of building a great and glorious India, let us search our hearts," said Mr. Patil. "Let us ask ourselves whether we have done anything to fulfil that task. Instead of frittering away our energy in endless controversy and petty bickerings, let us all resolve to unite to serve our country."

Mr. Patil exhorted the people of India to consider the task that was ahead of them and said that unless they cultivated nationalism of a true patriot, they would not be able to serve their country with their entire devotion.

MORARJI'S APPEAL

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister of Bombay unfurling the National Flag at the 'C' Ward District Congress Committee office, Gulalvadi, this morning urged upon the people to lend whole hearted co-operation to the Government in their efforts to solve the acute food problem confronting the country.

Addressing the students of the Vanita Vishram this morning, Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finance Minister of the Bombay Government called upon the youth of India to work hard for the realisation of the dreams of this Father of the Nation. He said that great responsibilities rested on their shoulders and they would be called in the near future to play their parts as citizens of the country, and build up a society where nobody suffered from want.

The Minister unfurled the Flag and planted a mango sapling in the compound of the Vanita Vishram.

SOCIALISTS' PROCESSION

A big procession organised by the Socialist Party started from the Nappu Gardens wended its way through the main streets of Matunga and terminated at the Indian Gymkhana Grounds, wher eMr. Purshottamdas Trikumdas unfurled the National Flag. Addressing the meeting he said that the grave crisis confronting the nation through racial social transformation.

A large number of flag salutation ceremonies were performed at various city school and college premises. Mr. Dinker Rao Desai, Minister for Civil Supplies of Bombay unfurling the Flag at the Law College called upon students to imbibe the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finance Minister hoisted the Flag at the premises of the Young Men's Hindu Association, at Girgaum.

The Municipal Schools Committee's Staff, Municipal Boy and Girls Scouts Association celebrated the Independence Day at the Gilder Tank Maidan.

Mr. G. D. Vartak, Minister for Local Self-government presided and planted trees in the compound.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Health Minister of Bombay presided over the Independence Day function arranged by the Municipal 'D' Ward Local Committee in the Gilder Tank Hall.

Mr. Joachim Alva, Sheriff of Bombay unfurled the National Flag at the Shivaji Park Gymkhana pavilion and paid homage to the martyrs who laid their lives to make India free.

At noon, Mr. Dahayabhai Patel, leader of the Congress Municipal Party presided at a function organised by the Bombay and Suburban Hotel and Restaurant Keepers' Associations at Beg Mohmed Park.

Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay unfurled the National Flag at the Fire Brigade Head Quarters and urged upon the people to give the full-fledged support to the Government in their efforts to tide over the present crisis.

Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Vice-President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee addressing a big meeting at the Imambara Road, under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Jamiat Ulema, urged upon Muslims to give support to the government and work hard to build a strong and prosperous nation based on the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi. Earlier, Mr. Morarji Desai unfurled the National Flag.

ANOTHER STEP MORE NECESSARY

Achyut Patwardhan's Call To Youth Of India

BOMBAY, Monday.

Addressing a public meeting organised by the Socialist Party of Bombay at the Kamgar Maidan this evening, Mr. Achyut Patwardan said that the battle for freedom was still incomplete. He added that the people of India had fought only the first phase of freedom and they would have to take another step forward to bring freedom home to the tolling masses. On this auspicious day, he urged the youth of India to re-dedicate his services to the country till the fruits of freedom were enjoyed by every citizens.

"Today, it is a day of rejoicing for the poor as well as the rich," said Mr. Asoka Mehta, Socialist leader and suggested that Government and the Municipality should arrange on this day musical and entertainment programmes in every open place in the city.

In the last two years, Mr. Mehta said that the people had made great progress. They had become more conscious of their political rights and more organised. Peasants in fields and workers in factories were no more dormant and indifferent. With confidence, faith and strength, the people of India could march forwards towards socialism. Today, he contended the youth was prepared to go ahead to build up a new society.

Presiding over the meeting, Mr. Moinuddin Harris said that a new message of socialism was the need of the hour and appealed to the people to follow the lead of the Socialist Party which was working to build up a new society based on the ideals of socialism.

Mr. Baburao Jagtap and Mr. Gulabrai Bagancharya, leaders of the Mill Mazdoor Sangh criticised the Labour policy of the Congress Government and called upon workers to fight for their rights.

Mr. Sushil Kavlekar, Socialist Corporator and Mr. M. R. Dandavate, Secretary of the Bombay Socialist Party speaking at a meeting at the Nappu Garden tonight urged the people to prepare themselves for another battle for freedom and socialism

INDIA'S CREDITABLE ACHIEVEMENT

Mr. S. K. Patil's Survey

BOMBAY, Monday.

A reception was given in the evening at the Corporation Hall by Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor of Bombay, at which the guest of honour was His Excellency, Raja Maharaj Singh. Present at the function were the Ministers of the Bombay Government, representatives of foreign Diplomatic Corps, municipal corporators and businessmen.

Addressing the gathering, the Mayor said that an anniversary was generally an occasion for stock-taking, and looking back over the past two years, the achievement of the Indian Government was indeed creditable considering the obstacles which it had to overcome and the difficulties which it had to face. According to foreign politicians whom the Mayor met during his recent tour, India was in no way behind other countries.

Giving an example of the difficulties of the Indian Government, the Mayor said that in the settlement of refugees the country had done very well. When Germany had to move a million people from the Sudetenland, the task was considered to be well nigh impossible; but India had succeeded in rehabilitating over six million refugees all over the country. With regard to law and order, which was expected to collapse with the withdrawal of British troops, the Mayor stated that the tone of law and order had been successfully maintained. There was no reason for the people to lose their optimism with regard to the future of the nation, he said, we have great men among us who will be able to maintain their own in any world government.

"Let us see," Mr. Patil concluded," that the freedom which we have won is perpetually consolidated for future generations."

Replying to the Mayor's speech, Raja Maharaj Singh said that speaking about the Bombay Government it had certainly faced the problems which confronted it more than creditably. He expressed the hope that in the near future this country would become the first nation in Asia, and that the leaders who today guided the destinies of the people would steer the country on its course to greatness.

Elite Of City Attend Governor's Party

BOMBAY, Monday.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Maharaj Singh, were "At Home" this afternoon, at the Town Hall, in observance of the Independence Day

Present at the function were Mr B. G. Kher and other members of the Bombay Cabinet, Mr. M. C. Chagla Chief Justice, Judges of the Bombay High Court, Sir M. Visvesvaraya, Presidency Magistrates, Mr. Joachim Alva, Sheriff, consular representatives of different countries, leading business men and social figures in Bombay's society.

The Governor and Rani Maharaj Singh went round the different tables and exchanged greetings with the guests.

The Bombay Police Band was in attendance.

THE WEATHER

POONA, Aug. 15. (P. T. I): The following is the daily weather summary for Monday.

The Monsoon has been fairly active in Assam, West Bengal, the North-East Central Provinces and the hills of the West United Provinces and South-East Punjab where there has been widespread rain with scattered heavy falls. There has also been local rain elsewhere in North-East India, the United Provinces, Vindhya Pradesh and Malabar.

FORECAST VALID UNTIL TUESDAY EVENING: Rainfall will be fairly widespread in Assam, West Bengal, Chota Nagpur, the East Central Provinces and will extend in the West Central Provinces and Vindhya Pradesh, there will be local rain in Orissa, Bihar, in and near the hills of the West United Provinces and the East Punjab in Madhya Bharat and the Konkan Scattered heavy falls of rain are likely in and near the East Central Provinces.

Surface winds will be strong and occasionally reach gale force in the Deccan and Saurashtra.

The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st June 1949 and departure from normal recorded at 8 a.m. (I. S. T., on August 15:—

Ahmedabad 92 80 0 18.3 minus 2.6, Ahmednagar 85 72 0 4.4 minus 5.7, Akola 85 75 0 24.0 plus 5.3, Bangalore 83 67 0 19.5 plus 10.5, Baroda — 79 0 17.1 —, Belgaum 79 68 0.1 16.7 minus 14.6, Bhopal 83 74 0 20.9 minus 11.9, Bhuj —, 79 0 16.4 plus 6.2, BOMBAY 85 79 T 52.3 plus 1.5, Cherrapunji 73 65 1.9 260.6 plus 12.1, Darjeeling 66 58 0.9 74.2 plus 3.5, Dhera Dun 82 73 2.5 46.4 minus 5.1 Devgad 84 80 T 38.3 —, Gwalior 91 80 0 17.3 —, Gulbarga 84 72 0.1 11.2 minus 1.1, Hanamkonda 87 76 T 22.7 plus 4.1, Hyderabad (Dn.) 85 71 0 13.7 plus 0.7, Indore 84 73 0 21.3 plus 0.2, Jamshedpur 92 80 0.3 33.2 —, Jubbulpore 96 75 T 29.8 minus 6.1, Kanpur 86 79 0 10.0 minus 8.9, Kodaikanal 64 52 0 13.5 plus 1.3, Kolhapur 78 71 0.1 14.5 —, Kurnool 86 72 T 10.5 plus 0.7, Madras 91 80 — 9.9 plus 2.3, Mahabaleshwar 65 62 1.1 137.9 minus TEMO, Mangalore 84 75 0.1 108.2 plus 19.8, Marmagao 82 — 0.2 75.5 plus 1.8, Mussoorie 68 63 0.2 39.3 minus 1.1, Ootacamund 61 53 0 12.7 minus 5.8, Pachmarhi 71 67 0.4 33.5 minus —15.0, Poona 82 72 T 7.3 minus 5.9, Rajkot 91 79 0 19.6 plus 2.2, Sholapur 88 72 0 12.5 plus 2.2, Surat 88 81 0 25.9 minus 4.1, Udaipur 83 74 0 9.6 minus 5.6.

BEST WORKERS' HUNGER STRIKE

Deputation To General Manager

BOMBAY, Monday.

Balasaheb S. Pansalkar, Hon. adviser the B.E.S.T. Workers' Union, in the course of a statement on the developments in the BEST Workers' hunger-strike at Kingsway Workshop and Colaba Depot, says:

"This morning, the General Manager of the B.E.S.T. Undertaking conveyed a message to the hunger-striking President of the Union, Mr. Parasnatn Pande at the Kingsway Workshop that he is prepared to meet a deputation of the Union. The General Manager and other high officials of the Undertaking met 12 members of the Deputation led by the President, at 2 p.m."

RADIO

TUESDAY, August 16.

BOMBAY—A

7-30 a.m. Bhor Bhaee M. Sagheer Asif Geet (Arsh) 7-40 Aj Ka Karyakram 7-45 Mehboob Khan (Gunkali) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 J. P. Mohile (Mandolin) 8-45 News (G) 12-45 p.m. Musical Interlude 12-50 M. Sagheer Asif Ghazal 1-0 News (G) 1-10 As in Bombay-B 1-30 p.m. News (E) 1-40 BBC Symphony Orchestra 4-20 School Broadcast 5-0 L. K. Kunte (Clarionet) 5-15 Syed Dada Mistry (Bhajan) 5-30 As In Bombay B 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-20 Gujarati Geet 6-30 Pramila Jadhav Marathi Pad 7-0 Topic of Day 7-10 Locals 7-15 J. P. Mohile (Mandolin) 7-30 Susheela Nadkarni (Gaud Malhar) 7-45 Sitar Par Kedar 8-0 Mehboob Khan (Hamsadhwani) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Mr. Kher's convocation address 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 As in Bombay—B 10-0 There is something in Air Accent on Melody, by Adi Marzban. 10-30 Paul Whiteman and His Orchestra (Merry overture): 10-45 Arthur Jacobs Piano.

BOMBAY—B

7-30 a.m. As in Bombay A 7-45 News (K) 8-0 Imtiaz Ahmed (Khayal) Bhairon Bahar 8-30 News (M) 8-45 a.m. Susheela Nadkarni (Ramkali) 12-45 p.m. As in Bombay A 12-50 News (M) 1-0 Syed Dada Mistry (Bhajan) 1-10 Swar Malika 1-40 News (H) 1-50 Variety programme (G) 4-20 As in Bombay A 5-30 Children's programme 6-0 L. K. Kunte (Clarionet) 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-15 As in Bombay A 7-30 Commercial News 7-45 News (K) 8-0 News (M) 8-15 Syed Dada Mistry (Eknath) 8-30 Sainik shikshan: Talk (M) by R. P. Paranjapye, 8-45 Imtiaz Ahmed (Thumri) 9-0 Pramila Jadhav (Shudh Kalyan) 9-30 Records by Hari Krishan. 9-45 Labour Forum in English by Kanji Dwarka Das.

BARODA AHMEDABAD

TUESDAY, August 16.

7-30 a.m. Morning Variety 8-0 News (E) 8-15 Durga Karnik (Khaval Vilambit and Drut) 8-45 News (G) 6-0 p.m. News (E) 6-10 Multani on Violin by P. G. Shinde 6-25 Bhikhubhai Bhavsar (Puria-Kalyan) 6-35 Gramiano Mate (From Baroda only) 6-35 Majurbhaivo Mate (From Ahmedabad) 7-0 Chitrapat Srushti 7-15 Matina Manavi (G) 7-30 Natvarlal N. Nayak (Geeto) 7-45 Bhikhubhai Bhavsar (Shyam-Kalyan) 8-0 Music Lesson 8-10 Locals 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Sawani-Kalyan on Violin by V. N. Potkar 8-45 Bhikhubhai Bhavsar (Miyan-Malhar) 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Story with Songs 9-45 Natvarlal N. Nayak (Geeto) 10-0 Durga Karnik (Bhajan).

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Liaquat Ali's Plans For Pakistan

KARACHI, August 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter).

LIAQUAT ALI KHAN, Pakistan's Prime Minister, said today "full diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union will be inaugurated in the very near future".

The Prime Minister who was addressing an Independence Day meeting pointed out the Dominion had established diplomatic relations with all the great powers except Russia.

Discussing a "one hundred per cent improvement in armed forces since last year" Liaquat Ali Khan said "this rapid and steady improvement will continue until I can be certain that Pakistan is mighty enough to repel the onslaught of the mightiest power on earth".

SOCIALIST TAXATION

Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan said Pakistan had been spending Rs. 750,000,000 a year on defence, compared with Rs. 500,000,000 a year spent on defence of undivided India before the war.

He assured his audience that by the end of 1950 all British officers would have left the army, from the Commander-in-Chief downwards, with the exception of a few technical staff.

"Our armed forces are among the best in the world", he said.

"While old established nations were now faced with 'dollar diseases', Pakistan economy is sound and strong", he added.

Taxation in the Dominion would continue to be based on Socialist principals, as these were the same as those taught by Islam.

RELATIONS WITH INDIA

Liaquat Ali Khan said good relations could exist between Pakistan and India only when the Kashmir dispute had been settled.

Pakistan was anxious to maintain friendly relations with India, but a just and fair settlement of outstanding disputes would have to come.

Comparing Pakistan's relations with Afghanistan to those of an elder and a younger brother, he said, "if necessary an elder brother can mildly rebuke his young brother, but always with a feeling of fraternal love".

He hoped relations with Afghanistan would improve. Pakistan wanted friendly relations with all nations—particularly Muslim countries.

Although she was a member of the Commonwealth, Pakistan had pursued an independent line of action at the United Nations, as had been amply demonstrated by her stand on the issue of the Italian colonies.

Pakistan had now pulled through her initial difficulties, and could look round and stabilise her position.

Karachi Aglow With Illuminations

KARACHI, August 15. (UPI): A mile long torch light procession of over 5,000 school boys, all in white holding aloft flaming torches, taken out last night, provided a glorious finish to the Pakistan independence day celebrations in Karachi. Karachi was aglow with illuminations.

With buntings all round multicoloured illumination made the city look bright and gay and jostling crowds surged merrily along the streets enjoying happiness of freedom.

All Pakistan navy ships were gaily decorated and illuminated last night and fireworks were fired.

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PROTEST AGAINST LAND TENURE ACT

Pretorian Indians For Struggle

JOHANNESBURG, Aug. 15 (UPI): Indians in Pretoria vigorously protested against the totalitarian and sectional White dominated policy of the South African Government as envisaged in the Asiatic Land Tenure Amendment Act of 1949, at a mass meeting called by the Transvaal Indian Congress.

Mr. Remial Moollo, the Pretorian President of the Congress, pledged Pretoria's full support for any eventual struggle to resist the unjust enforcement of the act.

The Joint Secretary of the Congress dealing with the implications of the act said: "As Government cannot throw Indians out of the country by sheer force, compulsory segregation, as embodied in this act was ingeniously designed to ruin them economically and thus force them to repatriate."

He further said that the act was a total violation of the U. N. Declaration on Human Rights.

The meeting acclaimed unanimously the resolution to combat the act with peaceful and non-violent means.

BEHAVE WORTHY OF NATION'S ESTEEM

Rauf's Plea To Indians In Burma

RANGOON, August 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter): Dr. M. A. Rauf, Indian Ambassador in Rangoon, appealed to Indians in Burma today to conduct themselves" in such a manner as to enhance the esteem in which independent India is held throughout the world".

Dr. Rauf was broadcasting over Rangoon Radio on the occasion of the second anniversary of Indian independence.

"I congratulate you, especially those Indians living in disturbed areas in Burma, upon your display of fortitude in times of great trial", Dr. Rauf said.

Dr. Rauf assured the Indian Nationals in Burma that their problems were "being watched very carefully and steps taken to meet situations as they arise". The Ambassador was holding a reception tonight for about 1,000 guests, including Burmese Premier Thakin Nu and other Cabinet members, together with the diplomatic corps.

26 STUDENTS IN REWA ARRESTED

Sequel To Demonstration

JUBBULPORE, Aug. 15. (P.T.I.): Twenty-six students were arrested in Rewa today following a demonstration to protest against the closing of classes in the Durbar College, Rewa, reports reaching here said.

The demonstration was staged in defiance of a prohibitory order.

S. K. Kripalani Succeeds Malik

OTTAWA, Aug. 14 (PTI-Reuter):+ Mr. S. K. Kripalani, the new Indian High Commissioner to Canada, arrived in Ottawa to-day with his wife and daughter.

He succeeds Sardar Hardit Singh Malik, recently appointed Indian ambassador to France.

PLANE CRASH OFF ARAN ISLANDS

4 Believed Killed

SHANNON AIRPORT, (Eire), Aug. 15. (P.T.I.)-Reuter): All but four of the 58 persons aboard the American Skymaster which crushed off the Aran Islands at the mouth of Galway early today have been rescue, the British Royal Air Force's Sea Rescue Service announced.

For-nine survivors are on their way to Galway on the 358-ton British trawler "Stalberg". Five others were rescued by the Irish steamer "Lanahrone" (1,221 tons), the service reported.

The four-engined aircraft, operated by Transocean Airlines of Oakland, California, carried 49 passengers and a crew of nine.

It was due at Shannon airport at 3 a.m. (G.M.T.) today on a flight from Rome to New York. It was reported here that the passengers are Italian emigrants bound for Venezuela, none of whom speaks English. The plane came down 20 miles west of the Aran Islands, which are 40 miles west of Galway.

Syed Raza Ali Dead

KARACHI, Aug. 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter): The death occurred here this morning of Syed Raza Ali, former High Commissioner for India in South Africa. The funeral will take place this evening.

WEST GERMANY VOTES RIGHT

Not A Single Red Elected

FRANKFURT, Aug. 15 (UPA): Some 25,000,000 West German voters have selected a right-wing Government to guide their first democratic regime since Hitler came to power in 1933, official tabulations of Sunday's parliamentary elections showed Monday.

Voters representing 78.5 percent of the electorate dealt a stunning blow to West German Communists. Not a single Communist candidate was elected and they were forced to rely on the partial proportional representation system to salvage 15 seats. Voters picked 256 rightist candidates from among 402 depnties elected to the lower house of the new Federal parliament.

The conservative Christian Democrats rolled up a 400,000 vote margin over the second place Socialists with the rightist Free Democrats running third. The Communists ran a poor fourth in popular votes. The new government probably will be a right wing coalition of Christian Democrats, Free Democrats and other right wing parties.

As the Communists slumped, the parties of the right—some of them tinged with neo-Nazism—prospered. The German party, which has been called the most reactionary in Germany, garnered enough seats to insure its bing consulted before any Government is formed. The separatist Bavarian party worked its way into a similar strategic position.

INCREASING INFLUENCE OF INDIA

Foreign Press Tributes

LONDON, August 15, (PTI-Reuter): The second anniversary of the independence of India was marked today in editorials in three leading British newspapers, "The Times", "The Manchested Guardian" and the Labour organ, "Daily Herald."

The 'Times' said that "firmly planted at Home, the Governments of India and Pakistan have been able to speak with weight abroad. The increasing influence of India and Pakistan in the counsels of the Commonwealth had been accompanied by an enhanced reputation and respect in the United Nations and each is now seeking to exercise a stabilising influence in chosen regions beyond its borders." It was in the economic tasks of raising the standard of life "that the decisive test will be made" of the two new Dominions "The Times" said.

"The Manchester Guardian" wrote "from every point of view, political strategic, cultural and economic, the West is interested in strengthening the present Governments of India and Pakistan. The best safequard against Communism in South Asia is that these two countries should exhibit a political and social system which cannot reasonably be branded as reactionary and which offers a way of progress and dynamic change which is the alternative to Communism."

THREE STEPS

"The Manchester Guardian" added: "If at this anniversary celebration it is permissible to suggest the steps which might be taken in the coming year to fortify the two states, they are surely three. First, there must be peace in Kashmir. India and Pakistan must be reconciled. Second, India's food production must be raised. Third, both India and Pakistan must begin to receive aid from President Truman's Four Point programme."

"The Daily Herald" said "Most significant of all in the past year was the outcome of the Commonwealth Conference "which warded off the peril that the final link with the Commonwealth would be broken. This triumph may yet prove to be the decisive act in preparing the way for an eventual settlement between India and Pakistan."

MANY ANNIVERSARIES

NEW YORK, Aug. 15, (UPA): An editorial in "The New York Times" said that August 15 is a day of anniversaries in the Pacific, recalling it was on that day that President Truman announced receipt of the Japanese reply to the Allied note outlining the surrender terms, the first anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic of Korea, the second anniversary of India and Pakistan's proclamation of independence and the day that the cease-fire in Indonesia takes effect.

"The Times" praised India and Pakistan for their efficiency in meeting difficult problems and their "record of marked recent progress toward settlement of their major outstanding dispute, disposition of Kashmir." It said that "there is reason for gratification also in the fact that India and Britain have been able to solve a knotty joint problem is working out a formula whereby India could set up a Republican Government and still remain within the framework of the Commonwealth."

INDIA WILL STRIVE FOR WORLD PEACE

Subramani's Broadcast In Rome

ROME, August 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter): Mr. Rangiah Subramani, Indian Charge d'Affaires in Rome broadcasting today over the Italian radio, said: "In international affairs India has no axes of her own to grind.

"She has no territorial ambitions and no desire to impose her ideology on others.

"She desires peace not only because she hates war and moral degradation it involves, but also because interest lies unreservedly in peace.

"India has championed the cause of freedom everywhere. She believes that freedom like peace is indivisible and that universal freedom is a sure guarantee of peace.

"India has refused to align herself with either of the two camps into which the world is unfortunately divided today. But she does not sit idly by. Her attitude is one of subjectivity rather than barren neutrality.

"As a member of the United Nations she has adopted a fully responsible attitude towards all the major problems which have come up before that organisation.

"Her moral prestige stands high. Her economic potential is enormous. There are many who think that by her attitude and strength India will succeed in bridging the gulf that ominously divides the present-day world. If she succeeds she will have made the greatest contribution to humanity.

"In any case all her forces and energies will be utilised in the cause of peace and international goodwill.

ASSET TO WORLD

"The dynamic forces released by the freedom gained by the Indian people represent an asset to the world in general, and should be a matter of general rejoicing.

"The Indian people, inheritors of an ancient civilisation, had in two years built up a secular state where diverse communities and religious groups lived in tolerance and freedom from fear.

"There is stability, and every promise of a continued need for stability in what is a strategically important area", Mr. Subramani said.

PAKISTAN PLANS NEW PORT IN EAST BENGAL

KARACHI—Plans are being made here to link the maze of inland waterways in East Bengal with a new Pakistani port.

During recent weeks there has been a succession of official meetings here to discuss how to direct the flow of goods from this province away from Calcutta to Chittagong, a river port 70 miles North of the Burmese frontier.

Experts have also been facing the problem of developing Chittagong to handle four and a half times as many ships as it does today.

The problem has arisen because East Bengal is now part of Pakistan, while Calcutta is in India.

Like most map-made partitions, the division of India into two independent states in August 1947 cut across the internal communications of Bengal.

In this case, the communications were not so much roads and railways as a highly developed system of inland waterways with its heart at Calcutta. Along these sheltered channels, steamers, barges, and the picturesque balloon-sailed bhurs were able to carry crops direct from field to market, factory and seagoing ships in Calcutta.

Partition gave Pakistan the bulk of the world's jute-growing area in East Bengal. Much of the valuable jute crop, used for making sacking will still go the factories of Calcutta But Pakistan is determined that her overseas exports of raw jute, which bring her the majority of her dollars and other hard currencies shall pass through a port of her own.

Although Chittagong is in Pakistan territory and is much nearer to the centre of the jute growing area than is Calcutta, it will be no easy task to make it the sole link between East Bengal and the rest of the world.

Unlike the Indian port, Chittagong is not directly connected with the sheltered system of inland rivers, channels and canals. Forty miles of open sea at the North Eastern tip of the Bay of Bengal must be crossed to reach it from the nearest estuary of the River Ganges—and those 40 miles can be very stormy during all but two months of the year. Most of the flat-bottomed craft of the sheltered waterways are constructed for no such passage.

A number of shallow-draught steamers, capable of crossing open waters, already link Chittagong with the inland ports, but they are by no means ideal craft for increasing Pakistan's exports to foreign countries The appearance of some of them is more reminiscent of a Mississippi showboat than a cargo vessel, with their paddle wheels and a massive superstructure of passenger compartments rising perpendicular from the hulls.

Nevertheless, some of these quaint vessels showed their stoutness during the last war by steaming all the war round India and up the Persian Gulf to deliver Allied goods to Russia.

While the British companies operating most of the heavy traffic on the inland waterways are prepared to build replacements for these ships as soon as Chittagong is ready to handle them, the Pakistan Government is planning to buy its own flotilla of steamers tugs and ocean-going barges and to operate a state service under the direction of its railwaystaff.

There are drawbacks to this official scheme. The flotilla could not be built and delivered for two or three years. Repair yards would take even longer. The cost of the project and the extreme shortage of technical staff in Pakistan would be further obstacles to be overcome; while the Dominion could ill afford to dispose of the experience of her old-established companies at this juncture.

On the other hand, Pakistan feels that, given a Government owned flotilla, she would be her own master and in no way dependent on British-owned and Indian-based transport companies. The plan, therefore, is to build a transhipment point on the island of Bhola, in the Easternmost outlet of the Ganges, from which the sea-going fleet would operate.—PTI-Reuter.

Conflict Between Police And Magistracy In E. Bengal

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

DACCA, August 9.

FOR some time past there have been unfortunate conflicts between the Magistracy and the police in East Pakistan and the allegation is that magistrates have not been very friendly to the police. To investigate this position the Government of Pakistan have decided to appoint a Commission. It is learnt that Justice Shahabuddin of the Dacca High Court will be the President of this Commission. The members of the Commission have not yet been selected.

The 'Id' festival went off this year quite happily and nothing untoward happened. But the procession which the Muslims brought out on the occasion was unfortunately a political commentary on the present administration in East Bengal.

In fact certain representations and caricatures were made which were rather significant. The present set of ministers and officials were very sarcastically criticised. They were represented as men drinking in the company of women and Europeans at the Dacca Club. Representations were made which point to a popular criticism that ministers failed to bring down the appallingly high prices of foodstufs and consumer goods.

The position of foodstuffs has become difficult again. As soon as the Minister of Civil Supplies made the statement that prices of foodstuffs were going down, prices began to shoot up. Some effect was produced when the official cordon around the surplus districts was withdrawn; but the hoarders and blackmarketers became wily again. To consider the situation the East Bengal Officials are making serious efforts. Mr. Ashgar Ali Shah, Director-General of Civil Supplies, flew last week to Lahore to discuss the question of importing food from the Punjab with the Civil Supplies Official there.

POLITICAL INTRIGUE

An interesting political situation is fast arising in the Province. It is not only a rival Muslim League that is in the field but it appears that there are other people at work. Maulana Abdul Hamid Vasani and Mr. Samsal Huq M. L. A. along with others have started a campaign in the countryside.

Meanwhile the Minority Community are at work. Calcutta is the centre of their activity and they are trying to organise a movement for the division of the territory in East Bengal. The contention is that as the Hindus are not having a fair deal from the communally-minded Ministry of East Pakistan, arrangements may be made to accommodate the Hindus in a certain area.

The proposition does not seem to many to be practical and a group of Hindu members of the Pakistan Constituent Assembly have issued a rejoinder protesting against this attempt from Calcutta. But it is believed by many at the same time that the Calcutta movement will have a tremendous moral effect. It is generally felt by the Hindu community here that though there is no communal disturbance here they are no better than hewers of wood and drawers of water and they certainly want some sort of relief.

PORT DEVELOPMENT

People have been looking forward to the expansion of Chittagong Port for the development of trade and Commerce but very disappointing reports are available. It is said that there is utter confusion at the Port and foreign steamers have declined to bring any cargo for Chittagong since July 7. People are demanding an enquiry into the position and it is likely that the Shipping Companies will have a conference on the subject at Karachi soon.

NEW COTTON MILL

One great achievement of which mention may be made is the establishment of a new cotton mill in Narayangunj. The opening function was performed by Mr. Hamidal Huq Choudhury, Finance Minister of East Bengal Government. But the founder of this mill is a Hindu who has got considerable experience of textile industry.

There was a shipbuilding conference in Dacca a few days back at the Secretariat. Besides the representatives of Government, Mr. Hitzel and Mr. Oakly, Representatives of the Joint Steamer Companies attended the conference. The Chittagong Port Commissioners also were well represented and so was the Eastern Bengal State Railway. The question of building drydocks was fully discussed and it was decided to build a dock in Chittagong and a 'slip way' in Barisal and the Joint Steamer Companies undertook to build these projects.

It cannot be said that the Joint Steamer Companies are quite happy under the present Government and it reflects great credit on them that they have come forward to help the Pakistan Government so substantially.

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DOUBLE CENTURY BY LEN HUTTON

England's Batsmen Master New Zealanders' Attack

LONDON, Aug. 15 (P.T.I.-Reuter).

The New Zealanders were all out in their first knock in the fourth and final test for 345 runs. England going in to bat had passed the New Zealand score at the end of the day's play by 87 runs with six wickets in hand. Hutton was the hero of the day for he carried his bat for a brilliant double century. Edrich made a 100 runs and both together put up a score of 218 runs for the second wicket partnership.

Another large crowd was in attendance at the Oval today when New Zealand resumed their first innings against England in the fourth and final test match. The first three tests were drawn and the prospect of a definite result being reached in this one was not promising for the wicket looked in perfect order. The weather was fine and warm New Zealand continued their first innings this morning. On Saturday they scored 320 for eight wickets.

The ninth New Zealand wicket fell of the third ball of the day when Hutton brought off a brilliant catch at short fine leg Hutton learned to his right and took a fast ball smartly with one hand when Cowie glanced Bedser. No runs had then been added to the total but Cresswell gave Burtt good assistance in a last wicket stand.

England spent half an hour finishing off the innings. In that time Burtt and Cresswell added twenty-five runs before Burtt snicked a ball from Bailey to the wicket keeper.

Cresswells score of twelve not out equalled his previous highest of the tour and brought his runs in England to fifty in thirteen innings.

Burtt defied England's attack for exactly 100 minutes in scoring 36.

England took the field this morning without Denis Compton, who arrived at the ground as his team mates were walking out. Compton had been under the impression that play would start at 11-30 instead of 11 oclock. He did not realise his mistake until the driver of another car leaned across and told him he would need to hurry to be on time while held up by traffic lights on his way to the ground.

England started batting at a quarter to twelve facing a total of 345.

So far the pitch, though fast, played very true and looked good for many runs.

Cowies speed off the easy paced pitch did not warrant his field of two slips and a leg trap comprising two fieldsmen close in on the bat. These traps caused neither batsman any anxiety and when Cresswell made his leg field three, Simpson replied by off driving him for the first boundary of the innings. England scored thirty-one in a little more than thirty-six minutes.

At the end of an hour England were 47 for no wicket, Hutton then being 17.

Once again England were having difficulty in overcoming New Zealand's defensive policy. A few short singles were taken but loopholes for a forcing stroke came rarely. A no ball from Cave presented Hutton with a boundary and then Burtt surprised all who know him as a model of accuracy by a loose ball in each of his first two overs and the score suddenly quickened with Simpson and Hutton both reaching the boundary. Hutton was now in dominating mood and his stroke plans brought rounds of applause from a 25,000 crowd. When 38 Simpson went out to punish Burtt and missed and intended drive. He might have been stumped but Reid failed to gather the ball. The batsmen resumed their supremacy and at lunch England total stood at 95 for no wicket with Hutton and Simpson level at 46.

Simpson was quick to hook anything the least bit short of a length on the leg stump while Hutton, in contrast, scored chiefly by placed strokes to leg for singles together with an occasional drive ranging from off to square on the offside. New Zealand's first success was not brought about by anything sinister in the bowling but rather because of Simpson's laudable attempt to keep the scoring moving freely. He swung round at a slightly over pitched ball on the legside and sent it mid-off to square on the offside. New at 147.

Simpson batted two hours and 20 minutes and the opening stand was the highest by England for the first wicket against New Zealand.

Hutton with Edrich as partner continued to drive at every opportunity and he was especially severe on Burtt who went off at the end of his second spell with an analysis of no wickets for 49 runs in 13 overs none of which were maiden.

The scoring rate then slowed down with the New Zealanders more alert in the field. Edrich began to play himself in quietly while Hutton became a little more subdued.

SCORE—BOARD

NEW ZEALAND (1st Innings)

B. Sutcliffe c Bedser b Hollies	88
V. J. Scott c Edrich b Bedser	60
J. R. Reid l.b.w. Wright	5
W. M. Wallace c Edrich b Bedser	55
M. P. Donnelly c Edrich b Bailey	27
W. A. Hadlee c Evans b Bedser	25
G. O. Radbone c Evans b Bailey	18
T. B. Burtt c Evans b Bailey	36
H. B. Cave b Compton	10
J. Cowie c Hutton b Bedser	1
G. F. Cresswell not out	12
Extras	8
Total	345

Fall of wickets:—1 for 121: 2 for 134; 3 for 170; 4 for 239; 5 for 239; 6 for 272; 7 for 287; 8 for 311; 9 for 320; 10 for 345.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bailey	26.1	7	72	3
Bedser	31	6	74	4
Edrich	3	0	16	0
Wright	22	1	93	1
Laker	3	0	11	0
Hollies	20	7	51	1
Brown	5	1	14	0
Compton	2	0	6	1

ENGLAND (1st Innings)

Len. E. Hutton c Rabone b Cresswell	206
R. T. Simpson c Donnelly b Cresswell	68
W. J. Edrich c Cave b Cresswell	100
D. Compton c Scott b Cresswell	13
T. Bailey not out	10
F. R. Brown not out	21
Extras	14
Total (for 4 wickets)	432

Fall of wickets: 1 for 147; 2 for 365, 3 for 396; 4 for 401.

BOWLING ANALYSIS

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Cowie	22	1	101	0
Creswell	36	6	146	4
Cave	24	4	78	0
Burtt	24	2	93	0

SAMUEL WINS 25 MILE CYCLE RACE

POONA, Aug. 15 (P.T.I.): J. B. Waghmare won for the third time in succession the 15-mile cycle race organised by the Poona Wheelers here today.

In the 25-mile cycle race, E. Samuel covered the distance in one hour and twenty minutes and finished three miles ahead of A. Akhuwala who finished second.

Following were the results:

FIFTEEN MILES RACE:

J. B. Waghmare 1, G. Satarkar 2, E. G. Gaikwad 3.

Time: 46 mins.

25-MILE CYCLE RACE:

E. Samuel 1, E. R. Akhuwala 2, D R. Tadpal 3.

Time: 1 hour 20 mins.

MISS. NIGUDKAR EXTENDED

C. C. I. Badminton Championships

BOMBAY, Monday.

Rival colleges clashed against each other in the Women's Singles event this evening in the C.C.I. Open Badminton Championships.

Fourth seeded Sumitra Nigudkar from Ruia College dropped a set to Elphinstonian Miss Vasumati Oak. Miss Tehmi Vakeel of St. Xavier's College accounted for Miss Sushila Rege, very comfortably, while in the other match which served as a rehearsal for the Collegiate Badminton, Miss Sindu Phansalkar from Elphinstone beat Xavierite Miss Babette Saldhana without unduly extending herself. The score being 11-2, 11-4.

Later in the evening Miss Shashi Bhat surprisingly beat Miss Malini Herenjal. Miss Herenjal who only two seasons age gave a brilliant account of herself, was out of active Badminton for two seasons and she found rather difficult to play herself into the game, and as such she went down rather tamely.

Second seeded Miss Betty Farias beat Miss Santosh Khorana, conceding only one point. Miss Farias was far too good for her opponent and never in the match was she caught by her opponent.

The best of match of the evening was the one in which Ruiaite Miss Nigudkar beat Miss Vasumati Oak.

Miss Oak, who is improving with every match lost the first set at 11-1. Miss Nigudkar is a very versatile player and this evening she called every thing she has at her command. Smashing and tossing as she has never done before she had her opponent at her mercy throughout the first set. In the second set she slackened down a bit and as a result Miss Oak won the second set at 11-4.

Last year's Collegiate champion Miss Phansalkar had to fight very hard to get the better of Miss Babette Saldhana, and the match was not so one sided as the score indicates, for although she lost the second set, she 11-4, the rallies were long-lived, characterised by beautiful lobs and acute drops.

Babette Saldhana comes up very quickly on the net for drops and Miss Phansalkar was put off, time and again. Miss Phansalkar however, kept the pressure and won the match at 11-2, 11-4.

In the men's doubles matches, the holder's Madhu Patil and Manohar Bhopardikar had little difficulty in beating Mahadevan and Pradhan. The score being 15-1, 15-3, while in the other match Anant Ullal of the famous Ullal Brothers combination, partnered by Harilal R. Shah accounted for Satar and Antia whom they beat 15-12, 15-9.

Following were the results:

LADIES SINGLES

Miss Sumitra Nigudkar beat Miss Vasumati Oak 11-1, 4-11, 11-1; Mrs. Nobhina Lewis beat Miss Omkacker 11-5, 11-2; Miss Shashikala M. Bhat beat Miss Malini Herenjal 11-3, 11-5; Miss Tehni Vakeel beat Miss Sushila Rege, 11-0, 11-2; Miss Sindhu Phansalkar beat Miss Babette Saldhana 11-2, 11-4; Miss Betty Farias beat Miss Santosh Khorana 11-1, 11-0; Mrs. K. Katu w.o. Miss P. Puri, Miss Dhun Vakeel w.o. Mrs. R. Cuthbertson; Miss M. Chinoy w.o. Mrs. H. Mehta.

MEN'S DOUBLES

Madhu S. Patil and Manohar K. Bhopardikar beat T. Mahadevan and Pradhan 15-1, 15-3; V. M. Bhat and D. M. Bhat beat A. Dalal and R. Dalal 15-5, 15-10; Harilal R. Shah and Anant V. Ullal beat A. R. Satar and N. J. Antia, 15-12, 15-9; V. Mendonca and M. D'Souza beat P. T. Bhide, and Panvelkar 11-5, 15-3, 15-12; T. V. Patel and J. C. Patel w.o. B. B. Samant and K. R. Pangri; G. Fernandes and C. DeSouza beat R. N. Chari and Ramani 15-0, 15-8.

MEN'S SINGLES

M. Shinde beat C. Quadro 15-0, 15-4.

I.F.A. SHIELD TOURNEY

CALCUTTA, Aug: 15 (P.T.I.): Following are the results of the two matches played in the I.F.A. Shield Tournament today in the second and third round respectively:—

New Delhi Heroes 4, Patna F.C. 0.

Dalhousie 2, Brajobhusan Samity (Berhampore, Bengal) 0.

avert a love set.

PHYSICAL FITNESS FOR WOMEN

Sir Homi Mody, U. P. Governor being presented with a guard of honour by women trainees at physical culture demonstration by the Mahila Vyayamshala, Kanpur

SPORTS JOTTINGS:

By R. C. H. Carter

Search For Tennis Stars Of Tomorrow

L. T. A.'s Training Scheme

"Catch them young" is the Lawn Tennis Association's prescription for the present decline in Britain's lawn tennis standards.

The first week of August was devoted at Wimbledon to the final stage of the L. T. A. intensive search for youthful talent. This search had begun some time before in the parks and clubs throughout England and Wales. County committees passed on the names of those they held to be the most promising young players to six regional committees appointed by the L. T. A. As a result some 35 girls and 39 boys were brought to Wimbledon to play in what was called a "sifting" tournament under the scrutiny of L. T. A. officials.

The ages of the young players selected ranged between 13 and 20. They all had their travelling and accommodation expenses paid and were divided into groups according to age. The object of this tournament it was emphasised by the L. T. A., was to discover not the best players but the most promising—in short those boys and girls who seemed to be worth giving serious training.

Thirty youngsters are, it is understood, being selected for this purpose though no announcement of the names will be made till September.

It seems likely that they may be brought together again to play in a winter tournament on hard courts.

It is generally agreed by all commentators on this experiment that the youngest section of these young players held out the greatest promise for the future. This is all to the good since it is this section which should be the easiest to train, not having had time to acquire and settle into faulty styles of play.

The idea behind the experiment is, it must be admitted, eminently a sound one. Of course no training can suffice of itself to produce that something extra, that touch of genius which goes to the making of world champions of sport. Expert coaching of the young in this way should, however, certainly serve to raise the general standards of play in the future and thus provide budding champions with the skilled rivalry needed to bring out their own prowess of master stroke and placing.

Cricket Headaches

Cricket topics to the fore at the moment concern the value of three-day Tests and the question of England's captaincy for the Australian tour next year. The Three-day Tests when the conditions are all in favour of the batsman, are obviously unsatisfactory. They merely mean a succession of of rather pointless draws But then we have also to consider the interests of county cricket and the handicap to county sides from the prolonged absence of several of their best players.

The captaincy question is really one of amateur versus professional. No one would have the face to deny that the professional knows as much about the game as the amateur but old prejudices die hard, especially where cricket is concerned. Now, however, that the retired professional has been admitted with a great flourish of trumpets into honorary membership of the M. C. C. there appears to be a feeling abroad that the time is at last approaching when a professional will lead an English Test side in the field just as Dollery does so successfully in the case of the Warwickshire.

Wright's Seven Hat-Tricks

Douglas Wright, Kent and England leg-break bowler—chosen for the fourth Test—has just set up a new world record by completing his seventh hat-trick in first-class cricket. Gloucestershire's Tom Goddard has performed the feat six times as also did the same county's Charlie Parker before he retired.

Bailey's "Double"

For the grst time for 16 years an amateur, Trevor Bailey, the 26-year-old England and Essex fast bowler, has been the first player to bring off the 100 wickets and 1,000 runs "double" this season. A. H. Kardar the Oxford "Blue" whose bowling has brought additional strength to Warwickshire's attack, continues to head the first-class bowling averages, with an average of 17.39 wickets.

£1,500 Professional Golf Tournament

Bobby Locke, the South African holder of the British Open championship, and Harry Bradshaw, the runner-up in that c vent and later Locke's victor in the Irish Championship, are once more to renew their rivalry in the "News Chronicle" £1,500 professional golf tournament at Hollingbury Park, Brighton, on August 16, 17 and 18.

The field will comprise all the 19 professionals chosen as probables for the British team to meet the Americans in the Ryder Cup match at Ganton on September 16 and 17. At the conclusion of the tournament Britain's actual Ryder Cup team will be selected.

Thoughts on Races to Come

The current racing is of mediocre interest and we are inevitably having our thoughts turned some way ahead. Already we are having a call-over on the Leger and entries have been announced for the Champion Stakes at Newmarket on October 13 and for the "Autumn Double", the Cesarewitch and the Cambridgeshire on October 12 and October 26 respectively.

As for the Leger there is little to be said at the moment beyond expressing regret that the King's candidate, Berrylands, has had to be scratched and expressing satisfaction that the Jack Jarvis pair—Peter Flower and Unknown Quantity—are pronounced fit again and able to run on September 12. Peter Flower was injured when training for the Derby and Unknown Quantity has been for some time on the sick list.

The Champion Stakes has a particularly good entry but is likely to suffer from the far greater attractiveness of the French Arc de Trimphe at Longchamp four days earlier, with its truly magnificent prize money of £25,000. Several of the best known English horses are included in both and though it would still be possible to run a horse in both, it would be a tough proposition to ask of any animal. So it may well be that the Newmarket race, for all its £3,000 prize money, will be left to be run for by the less distinguished of its present entry.

Poona Races

SHUBH LUXMI SPRINGS SURPRISE IN INDEPENDENCE CUP

(By Our Racing Correspondent).

POONA, Monday.

Large crowds flocked at today's holiday race meeting at Poona held in ideal weather. The race-track was in excellent condition but the results were below expectations and at the end the Bookmakers had the better exchange.

Rank outsider, Shubh Luxmi scored a facile win in the day's attraction, the Independence Cup. Raging favourite Chin Up placed a poor fourth in the race. Place-getters Truman and Taslaroon were also outsiders.

Baroda stable had a good day with a double through Nynon and Wahidna in the respective divisions of the Bhamburda Plate. Chavan scored narrowly on the former in a thrilling race with Chhoti Begum while popular Wahidna scored very comfortably.

Odds Again and Anant Lakshmi were impressive performers of the day. Both were badly away from the gate but placed third with tremendous late efforts.

Maj. Jadhav and Khade got the distinction. The former saddled a double for Maharani Seeta Devi while Pandu rode two winners, Chandrakor and Wahidna.

The following are the results:—

THE BHAMBURDA PLATE. Division III—Distance 7 furlongs.

Mr. Sultan N. Dossa's NO NO NANETTE 8-12 Summersingh 1
Mr. Bahadur M. Tata's KANTAKA 8-12 Shiba 2
Mr. Noshir M. Patel's HAPPY QUEEN 8-12 Kheemsingh 3
Mrs. A. L. Hutson's STRIDING EDGE 8-12 Damodar 4

Not run: True Love, Malka-E-Alam and Past the Post.

Won by: Short head, 1 1/4 lengths, 3/4 length.

Time: 1 minute 33 4/5 seconds.

Tote paid: Win Rs. 77. Places Rs. 16, Rs. 16 and Rs. 13.

Trainer: D. M. Mistry.

THE YERAVDA PLATE—Distance 7 furlongs.

Mr. M. R. Agarwal's CHANDRAKOR 8-1 P. Khade 1
Mr. R. O. Valia's MARVEL 7-0 J. Bhosle 2
Messrs. C. T. Lakhia and B. L. Shinde's HIND VIJAY 7-12 Purtoosingh 3
Maharaja of Gwalior's GWALIOR EXPRESS 9-5 Kasbekar 4

Not run: Miss Prestige, Khyber and Midinette.

Won by: 1 1/2 lengths, 1 1/4 lengths, 1/2 length.

Time: 1 minute 32 2/5 seconds.

Tote paid: Win Rs. 42. Places Rs. 14, Rs. 19 and Rs. 19.

Trainer: G. M. Omker.

THE PATAS PLATE. Division II.—Distance 6 furlongs.

Mrs. Sakinabai H. Ahmedbhoy and Mr. A. H. Ahmedbhoy's CHAND CHAKOR 8-9 Kheemsingh 1
Mr. A. J. Moshi's KENNERETH 8-5 P. Knade 2
Mr. S. Ejel's BOLD BANDIT 8-11 S. Chavan 3
Mr. Eve's STAR SAPHIRE 8-6 Purtoosingh 4

Not run: Hikmet and King's Star.

Won by: 1 1/2 lengths, Neck, 2 1/2 lengths.

Time: 1 minute 16 2/5 seconds.

Tote paid: Win Rs. 25. Places Rs. 14, Rs. 16 and Rs. 20.

Trainer: A. L. J. Talib.

THE BHAMBURDA PLATE. Division II—Distance 7 furlongs.

Maharani Seeta Devi's NYNON 8-12 S. Chavan 1
Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Mistry's CHHOTI BEGUM 8-12 P. Khade 2
Maharaja of Kashmir's ODDS AGAIN 8-12 Kadam 3
Messrs. A. H. Ahmedbhoy's and Purshotam Jethabhai's COOL AND COLLECTED 8-12 Kheemsingh 4

Not run: Pick Money, Grace Darling, Topflight and Neembhool.

Won by: Neck, 2 1/4 gnleths, Short head.

Time: 1 minute 33 3/5 seconds.

Tote paid: Win Rs. 51. Places Rs 17, Rs. 17 and Rs. 15.

Trainer: Maj. Jadhav.

THE PATAS PLATE. Division I.—Distance 6 furlongs.

Raj Kumari Mrudularaje of Rajkot's MANISHA 8-9 Medhe 1
Mr. Ardeshir S. Irani's EMBARKATION 8-6 Aurobinda 2
Mr. Syed Amjad Ali's SWEETIE SHAH 8-6 G. Chavan 3
Mrs. Clara Hill's GENTLE WHISPER 8-9 Janardhan 4

Not run: Queen of Gwalior, Your Majesty and Peppermint.

Won by: 5 lengths, 1/2 length, 3 lengths.

Time: 1 minute 16 seconds.

Tote paid: Win Rs. 47. Places Rs. 12, Rs. 15 and Rs. 11.

Trainer: V. V. Powar.

THE INDEPENDENCE CUP—Distance 1 mile.

Mr. G. R. Kolte's SHUBH LUXMI 8-1 Mullsingh 1
Maharani Seeta Devi's TRUMAN 8-6 K. Hassan 2
Mr. A. J. Moshi's TASLAROON 7-10 Shiba 3
Messrs. F. J. Gazdar and J. J. Gazdar's CHIN UP 8-8 P. Khade 4

Not run: Tomcat, Pride d'Antibes, Maid of Honour, Game Bid and Prospero.

Won by: 2 1/2 lengths, 2 lengths, 2 1/4 lengths

Time: 1 minute 44 seconds.

Tote paid: Win Rs. 333. Places Rs 120, Rs. 68 and Rs. 90.

Trainer: D. D. Ghista.

THE BHAMBURDA PLATE. Division I—Distance 7 furlongs.

Maharani Seeta Devi's WAHDINA 8-12 P. Khade 1
Mr. R. J. Sigtia's WHIRLPOOL 8-12 Jagdish 2
Maharani Chimnabai's ANANT LAKSHMI 8-12 Kasbekar 3
Mr. M. Mustafa's AAFRIN 8-12 Shaikh 4

Not run: Florida, and New Look.

Non-starter: Dinkie. Money refunded.

Won by: 1 1/4 lengths, 2 1/2 lengths, 3/4 length.

Time: 1 minute 33 seconds.

Tote paid: Win Rs. 23. Places Rs. 13, Rs. 19 and Rs. 14.

Trainer: Major Jadhav.

THE CECIL GRAY PLATE.—Distance 7 furlongs.

Maharaja of Kashmir's RAJ DOOT 8-8 Kadam 1
Mr. Rafi's BHOPAL STAR 8-10 S. Chavan 2
Mrs. Clara Hill's NEW MOON 8-7 P. Khade 3
Mr. D. F. Karaka's PLOTILLA 7-10 Simmons 4

Not run: Red Bird.

Tote paid: Win Rs. 64. Places Rs. 22, Rs. 19 and Rs. 26

Trainer: E. C. Forsyth.

Treble Pool paid Rs. 9,243. Tickets 6 only.

SARKARI'S GRAND PERFORMANCE

Meet Organised By National C. F.

BOMBAY, Monday.

The National Cyclist Federation organized their first meet on Independence Day at the Oval and the four events scheduled for the morning drew a vast crowd of spectators, so that the 25 mile open race which was the main event of the days programme was suddenly changed during the progress of the race and only fourteen miles were run.

Interest was centred round the 25 mile open race for men in which Bombay's crack cyclists took part. Going off to a mass start opposite the University Clock Tower R. Noble jumped into the lead and was followed by Sarkari. Noble maintained his position up to the third round but then fell back and now Sarkari took over. Menezes was lying handy in the rear.

When eleven rounds were completel the officials finding the crowd unmanageable at the finishing point, that is, the clock tower decided that it should be a fourteen mile race and two rounds later it was all over.

Sarkari sprinted and headed R Noble, while Menezes always lying at hand shot ahead to find third place. The timing returned for the thirteen rounds was 41 minutes.

Earlier, the five miles open race for novices was decided and Kall Doctor secured first place, Edward Bonnici second and Jal Choksey third. A timing of 16 minutes 26 seconds was recorded.

The ladies were also catered for and a one mile race was won by Miss Piloo Gimi with a timing of 3 minutes 8 seconds. Miss Dinoo Darukhanawalla was second and third place to Miss R. Bhoot.

An item that drew much applause was the one mile race for men over forty five Herbert Lynn, Bombay Customs goalkeeper took pride of place with a timing of 3 minutes 4 seconds. B. Engineer and E. Fitter followed in order.

Mr. Gerard Chard distributed the trophies to the winners.

The following were the results:—

14 MILES OPEN FOR MEN:— P. Sarkari 1, R. Noble 2, A. Menezes 3. Time:— 41 minutes.

5 MILES RACE FOR NOVICES:— K. Doctor 1, Edward Bonnici 2, Jal Choksey 3. Time:—16 minutes 26 seconds.

1 MILE FOR LADIES:— Miss P. Gimi 1, Miss D. Darukhanawall 2, Miss. R. Bhoot 3. Time:— 3 minutes 8 seconds.

1 MILE FOR MEN OVER 45 YEARS:— Herbert Lynn 1, B. Engineer 2, E. Fitter 3. Time: —3 minutes 4 seconds.

JAYA WALAWALKAR BEATEN AT POONA

Engineering College Table Tennis

POONA, Aug. 15 (P.T.I.): Today's programme in the Engineering College Poona Open Table Tennis Tournament worked out according to form and the only upset of the evening was in the women's singles event, Siloo Motiwala triumphing over Jaya Walawalkar in two straight games. Siloo had the measure of Jaya Walwalkar after winning the first set over the extra points and shaped impressively throughout.

Bombay's junior singles champion S. K. Thackersey scored a great victory over P. Kumar in the men's singles event the final scores being 13-21, 21-17 21-18, 24-12.

Following are the results:

MEN'S SINGLES:

D. H. Kapadia beat V. M. Nadkarni 22-1, 22-20, 21-10, 21-16; N. B. Mistry beat V. M. Kamat 21-11, 20-22, 22-20; S. K. Thackersey beat P. Kumar 13-21 21-18, 24-22.

WOMEN'S SINGLES:

Siloo Motiwalla beat Jaya Walwalkar 22-20, 21-12.

In the Day's Sport

FOOTBALL

St. Xavier's College Ground, Parel.

5-45 p.m. Khandoba Vijay vs Young Aryan Goans (Second Division Harwood League).

BADMINTON

C.C.I. Courts

4-45 p.m. C.C.I. Open Championship.

Elphinstone College

8 a.m. Inter Collegiate Badminton.

Supremacy Of U. S. In Track Field And Boxing

By CORNELIUS RYAN, U. P. A.
Foreign Sports Editor

NEW YORK, August 15 (U.P.A.): A trip through the U. S. A certainly gives no hint of why America manages to retain its world supremacy in most branches of track and field and boxing.

The average American sports fan is interested only in his favourite professional baseball team—the Brooklyn Dodgers or the the Chicago Cubs or the New Nork Yankees, usually. When the baseball season ends his interest turns to college football. Of course, there are exceptions, and now and then a man mentions boxing or tennis, but the great body of fans pay little attention to anything but baseball or football.

On a recent vacation trip during which I travelled from New York to midwestern U. S. A. and back again, I was asked many questions when people found out I was a sports writer.

But all the questions dealth with baseball, or with comparative football styles. Only one sports fan asked me a desultory question about Marcel Cerdan, and no one at all wanted to hear about such men as Harrison Dillard, Jim Funchs, Gaston Reiff Willie Slykhuis, Erik Ahlden or Ingvar Bengtsson. Nor were there any questions about Ted Schroeder, Pancho Gonzales, Frank Parker or Bill Talbert, the men who keep the U. S. A. dominant in international tennis.

Professional boxing is held in low repute everywhere except in the biggest cities, and there is nationwide interest only in heavyweight championship matches.

Yet America is an international power in track, tennis and boxing, although the U. S. A. strength in the latter is slowly waning. The severe dearth of good young heavyweights shows that boxing is not in especially healthy condition, and public disinterest may have contributed to this.

America's continuing power in track stems from the tremendous enthusiasm of the comparative few boys who do participate. These boys, working under coaches who are just as enthusiastic, are willing to put in the painful hours of practice needed to achieve excellence or greatness. And one state, California, with its strong tennis association, carries the burden for all the U. S. A. in tennis.

Of course, there are peculiarities. The average European fan is far better acquainted with Fuchs, world record-setter in the shot put, than is the U. S. A. fan, who will hear of Fuchs only if he becomes a pinch hitter for the Brooklyn Dodgers.

JUNIOR ATHLETES INDEPENDENCE MEET A SUCCESS

BOMBAY, Monday.

Keen competition and athletics of a high order were witnessed this afternoon at the St. Xavier's College Ground, Parel, when the Bombay Juniors Athletes Club organized an Independence Day meet. Though conditions underfoot were far from ideal the youngsters performed splendidly.

The programme which was well arranged and ran to time catered for all. There were items for girls and boys under 15 and 18, and the Men's Open events in which L. C. Woodcock, Melville Kaunds, B. Proudfoot, J. Cresto, C. Furtado, J. D'Mello and other leading athletes took part.

Irwin Lopez once again produced his winning form so that he claimed his 37th successive win in his athletic career of annexing the 100 metres run for Boys under 18.

David Aoron gave a splendid display when clearing 5 feet 1 1/4 inches in the Running High Jump for Men. David has adopted the masters style in jumping and with Ullal Rao coaching he promises to be a leading contender for the National Olympics. He usually covers 5 feet 4 inches but conditions were not ideal for a perfect jump.

Ahmed Yarkhan, the holder of the 1500 metres Juniors record took things slightly and romped home an easy winner making a start to finish affair. S. Kathan gave an elegant and stylish run to clear the 60 metres hurdles with ease.

It was a delight to see little girls due to high jump in grand style. Miss Arjun Gurzar and Miss S. R. Dey were good and were competing for premier honours and Miss Dey did well to clear 3 feet 7 3/4 inches for girls under 15.

Then there was Leslie Woodcock who paced the hundred metres with other well lined up competitors like Joffe D'Mello, J. Crasto and others and although the going was heavy he clocked 11.4 seconds. J. Crasto was second. Melville Kaunds also did light work of the 800 metres when he clocked 2 minutes and 15.3 secs.

The successfully concluded programme managed by Mr. J. Jameson, Mrs. Jameson, Ullal Rao, Joe Bebbington and Mr. Mehta and others was brought to an end when Rev. Fr. Balaguer the Principal of St. Xavier's College distributed the prizes to the winners.

The following were the results:

GIRLS UNDER 15

100 METRES RUN: Miss M. Diggle 1, Miss Argun Gurzar 2. Time: 16.8 secs.

RUNNING HIGH JUMP: Miss S. R. Dey 1, Miss Arjun Gurzar 2. Height 3 ft. 7 3/4 inches.

BOYS UNDER 15

50 METRES RUN: G Peres 1, R. Lacey 2. Times 6.5 secs.

200 METRES RUN:—C. Biggle 1, G. Singlehurst 2. Time: 27 secs.

800 METRES RUN: R. Millan 1, A. Sequeira 2. Time: 2 min. 26.7 secs.

60 METRES HURDLES. S. Kathan 1, L. Martuz 2. Time: 9.4 secs.

BOYS UNDER 18

100 METRES RUN: Irwin Lopes 1, A. Shustry 2. Time: 12.2 secs.

400 METRES RUN: A. Yarkhan 1, R. Pereira 2. Time: 58.9 secs.

1500 METRES RUN: Ahmed Yarkhan 1, E. O. Myers 2. Time: 4 mins. 56.3 secs.

110 METRES HURDLES: H. Biggle 1, P. D'Souza 2. Time: 16.8 secs.

RUNNING HIGH JUMP: David Aoron 1, Macbeth D'Souza 2. Height 5 ft. 1 1/4 inches.

MEN'S OPEN

100 METRES RUN: L. C. Woodcock 1, J. Crasto 2. Time: 11.4 secs.

800 METRES RUN: M. Kaunds 1, C. Turtado 2. Time 2 mins. 13.5 secs.

The Bombay Chronicle

A consistent practice of virtue by the human race even for ten years would fill the earth from pole to pole with peace, plenty, health, merriment and heartease, and nothing else will.

—C. S. LEWIS

CARPING CRITICISM

The hindsight of a critic is better, runs an ironic proverb, than the foresight of the administrator. The rather dismal truth of this cynicism is amply borne out by the comments which are being made by the discontented, on the record of the Congress. In fact even this is an overstatement because the much-talked of opposition has no clear-cut views of its own, apart from a vague illusion that by forming an opposition it is fulfilling a useful function of Democracy. Not much can be expected from men who seek leadership while holding such superficial views on Democracy. It cannot be a proof of the non-existence of Democracy that no opposition party exists. Particularly is this ridiculous when opposition views are loudly and freely expressed. But it is worth asking these stalwarts what keeps them from forming an effective party. The failure of the "leftists", after strenuous effort at unity, to come together on any programme other than the barren one of opposing the Congress is a clear indication that these leaders themselves lack the sincere conviction that they can do better than the present Government. Politics is dragged down to the utmost degradation when a man of the rank of Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose seriously denounces the Government for being a "one-party" Government and, therefore, undemocratic. Coalitions, if it is this that Mr. Sarat Bose has in mind, are notorious for their inability to get things done. We have had experience of coalitions and we might be excused if we are reluctant to repeat the experiment. Nor do we quite understand why a one-party Government should be necessarily undemocratic. Mr. Sarat Bose's repeated insistence on this point makes one feel that he is attempting infiltration into the Government rather than any ousting of it, and thus sabotaging the "opposition". As for the others, it cannot be said that they for their part suffer from any greater clarity of thought. They represent at the moment a certain impatience at the pace of national progress which is not confined to them, and they try to impress on the general public that an acceleration will come with a change of Government. This, however, is a very different thing from presenting a definite programme and seeking public support to it. No party rode to power on mere opposition. On principle, there seems little to distinguish between the Congress and the group of parties which are most vociferous about forming an opposition; and in actual administration only the Congress has been tried. A good deal of the impatience of the "leftists" who are constitutionally minded, looks very like the enthusiasm of the unpractised and inexperienced. It is extremely doubtful whether these leaders in office could do things quicker but it is rather more certain that, if they left the forming of an opposition to parties which are fundamentally opposed to the Congress programme and gave their wholehearted co-operation to the Government, national work could be appreciably speeded up.

There are a few salient points which might be usefully considered. The Government's foreign policy is not seriously in question. There have been vague charges of keeping India in the Commonwealth, of not asserting more strongly India's neutrality in international affairs, and of standing out of the leadership of Asian nations. Mr. Sarat Bose has harped on these subjects ever since he won the South Calcutta election. At the same time, he has made it clear that he disikes Communism, which favour treaty relations of great cordiality with Britain, and build up connections with the U.S.A. All of this brings us back to something which is not dissimilar to things as they are. So far as Asian leadership is concerned, it is a very difficult proposition since President Querino of the Philippines jumped the neutrality ideal and tied himself up with Chiang Kai-Shek. It is true that criticism on our manning the foreign embassies is justifiable to some extent but then again any Government which is called upon to build up so many embassies abroad without trained diplomatic personnel, is liable to err, and Mr. Bose or any other leader who assumes the responsibility, will have perforce to make the same mistakes. Granted that the move was necessary—and it was the first concrete implementation of our decision to seek an independent as opposed to a Dominion status—the rest follows as a logical sequel. As opposed to this, there is the undoubted fact that India has a leading place in international sphere and that she is slowly building herself up.

In internal affairs, the prime necessity in the first two years was unity and the bringing together of very different units. This task has been largely accomplished, and it is difficult to see how it could have been done quicker. It has to be remembered that the young secular State has to steer clear of the twin extremes of Communism and Communalism. In this condition, it is difficult to think of any alternative leadership which could manage as well. The present need of the country is to overcome the food shortage and to this task all efforts are bent. The year before us, the third year of Freedom, will be largely concerned with this attempt. The "opposition", though it has said little to the point here, has said enough to indicate that under its leadership the country will have learnt much of what it has already gone through in the past two years before any effective food policy is evolved by it. And food is the one sphere in which we cannot afford to make further experiments.

A true picture of the record will appear only if one considers the problems which faced the country on the day of Independence, and compares them with the conditions existing today. There are many things still to be done. There are some things that might have been done better. There are, too, some things that need not be at all. To all these we have yet to address ourselves so that the future might hold a promise of better days to the people. But this does not mean that nothing has been achieved, nothing accomplished, nothing attempted. It has been a strenuous two years and the strain will not be less in the years to come. In many matters, we have everything to gain by realising that we are on the threshold of effort rather than on the eve of achievement. Indian nationalism which is being built in the legislature, has to be constantly reaffirmed in the country itself. The people have to learn self-reliance and the extent of the just demands they can make upon their Government. Both Government and what there is of anti-Government elements have to settle down to the sober truth that we are a democracy in the making rather than a full-fledged democracy. And much of this we have to learn the hard way, by mistakes and miscalculations. Freedom implies the right to err and administration, no less than other human activities, is a process of trial, error and rejection. What is necessary is boldness to experiment, to venture on uncharted seas. In that lies the vitality of a people. And of that quality, the present Government has shown itself abundantly possessed.

Tete-à-Tete

WITHOUT COMMENT.

MADRAS, August 15: Mr. M. Mohamed Ismail, President of the Indian Union Muslim League, in an appeal on the occasion of Independence Day calls upon every one in the country to whole-heartedly co-operate with Government in solving the food problem "which is of supreme and urgent importance today" and in maintaining law and order and peace in the country.

"Let us on this day bow before Almighty God in graceful recognition of the blessings He has bestowed upon us so far and devoutly pray for more" he said.

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From Sardar Patel's Independence Day message: "To our critics and to sceptics, I would only say this: 'When you strike the balance sheet do not over weight the debit side; take the assets and liabilities together, and then if you have an iota of a sense of fairness.....'"

This amounts to asking the critics to deny themselves and weight down their 'raison d'etre' itself.

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Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan has issued eloquent Independence Day messages to the people, the armed forces etc. of Pakistan.

But we regret to note that there is no message for Indian Muslims. We cannot, however, believe that he has forsaken them and we hope he will make good the omission on the occasion of the forthcoming Iduz Zuha.

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Says a Hongkong message: Mao Tse-Tung, Stalin of Liberated China, was to-day reported civilically ill in Pieping, according to a Canton despatch to the official Central News Agency.

We are sure he is. Lenin was every day critically ill for eight years. And Stalin has periodically been nearly dead for two decades without dying.

The time has arrived for Mao Tse-Tung to start being "critically ill."

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Addressing a university audience in the U.S.A. President Quirino of the Philippines declared: "With the support of friendly people, if possible, alone if necessary, we are resolved to resist with all our strength the evil thing that is now striking to enslave men and nations under a tyranny more ruthless than any other in history."

There is, anyhow, no harm in echoing the eloquence of Churchill in the hope that subsequent history too will repeat itself.

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The Soviet Union replying to Yugoslav complaint against Four-Power rejection of claims on Austria, denounces the Yugoslav Government as having gone over to the capitalist camp and declares that the Soviet Government "can no longer regard the Yugoslav Government as an ally of the Soviet Union. It can no longer uphold the Yugoslav Government's claims.

You see the point? No? Well, you see, Yugoslavia was entitled as Yugoslavia to Austrian territory not as Yugoslavia but as sort of a Soviet-communist Yugoslavia. The rest is clear.

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Representatives of Anglo-Egyptian Sudan distributed to the Council of Europe delegates a long statement condemning "Imperialism" and calling on the Council to support the "just and legitimate cause" of the union of Egypt and Sudan.

Which would have stung most of the principal delegates as a very bad joke.

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Speaking at a U.N. Association rally in England, Mr. C. R. Attlee, the British Prime Minister, said, "the success of the U.N. in the long run will not depend on Governments but on peoples."

The peoples, for instance, of South Africa, South-West Africa, East Africa etc., ?

MIND OF MAHARASHTRA

By Observer

POONA, the centre of cultural, intellectual and political activity of Maharashtra, has had the unique experience during this fortnight of witnessing one distressing and two exhilarating events of public importance. The Marathi press has commented adequately and learnedly upon them. The distressing event was the one day visit of Mr. Saratchandra Bose, who belied the expectation of his left-wing friends in the Maratha land that they could make some political capital out of his visit. But he came, made three rambling speeches in one day, which cut no ice, and left, probably convinced that even the socialist-minded element in Poona politics is of a totally different variety than the type he meets in Bengal.

To the law college students he confided that if there are "two things which he abhors, they are law and politics". An audible comment was "Sez you? Then whatever are you here for?" At the Fergusson College he expatiated on the unmoral nature of Congress politics and confidentially told his audience how in sheer disgust he had left off wearing a white cap, which now was a symbol to him of profiteering, racketeering and gross corruption. He asserted that "one who was morally wrong can never be politically right", a sentiment which served the Marathi press for sly comments the next day upon Bengal politics. At a public gathering he chose to speak in what he regarded, evidently, as high-flown Hindi, and raised in the audience considerable doubts about his ability to set himself in tune with the audience. At least two Poona journals, in general sympathy with the socialist attitude and critical of the Congress, expressed their disapprobation of the Poona performance of the Calcutta politician.

THE CONTRAST

It is curious that the Sarat Bose visit fell flat. It is not that Poona audiences dislike preachment by socialists. Achyut Patwardhan is their favourite. To Deccan College-educated Purshottamdas Tricumdas, a joyous hand of welcome was thrown out. He speaks Marathi like a Maharashtrian and can garner his speeches with the quips and jokes which a Marathi-speaking audience loves so well. Then at election time the majority of it will, of course, go and vote Congress.

The two exhilarating events were the remarkable performance of Professor Puntambekar as the guest of honour, brought over from Nagpur where he is the University Professor of Politics, to celebrate the Tilak anniversary day, and the reception by various bodies to Dr. Khankoje, a Maharashtrian who has been away for forty-three years from his motherland and comes back to this country, saturated with practical experience as an expert in agriculture. The Nagpur professor gave an able summary of Tilak's career in a speech, far from academic and scintilating with apt witticisms. The 'Kesari' gave it almost in full. Every year Poona celebrates, as does all Maharashtra, the Tilak anniversary and distinguished men offer their tribute of veneration to the Lokamanya but Professor Puntambekar achieved this year the remarkable feat of balanced appraisal not only of the Lokamanya's ideals and practical performance but took a review of Maharashtrian politics which was notable for insight and accuracy.

A HERO RETURNS

Dr. Khankhoje left very early in his youth for foreign studies abroad, was associated with the late Viren Chatopadhyaya, Mrs. Naidu's brother, who was conducting a campaign for Indian liberation in Germany during the first World War, and went over to California later. There he was closely in touch with the Ghadr party. For this rank offence the British Government in India of those days would not allow his return to India. The "Bombay Chronicle" at that time steadily endeavoured through vigorous propaganda to secure his return. Later Dr. Khankhoje went to Mexico, having taken degrees in scientific agriculture in American Universities. He paid a brief visit to this country travelling via Turkey, Iraq, and Afghanistan and was among his friends incognito. Returning to Mexico he rose to a very high post in the Mexican Government as an expert agriculturist. Not a word of this strenuous endeavour will come out of the mouth of this modest man in public but the Marathi press was full of his exploits and the meetings organised by the various public bodies in Poona gave him an affectionate welcome. The speech he made in reply was that of a practical farmer who knows, out of the richness of his experience, what the earth needs to enable it to give man the rewards of his labour.

One remark he made indicated his pathetic concern over our stagnation, "I notice," he said, "that my countrymen stand just where they were forty years ago, the same in-attention to the soil, the same lack of co-ordinated effort, the same misery." His visit to Poona and Nasik has created a deep impression. The Marathi press has reported his activity in detail and pointed out the essentially practical nature of his suggestions to improve our agriculture.

IN HUMBLE MOOD

Mr. Shankarrao Deo is great when he expatiates upon the foibles of Congressmen and the dangers of allowing things to drift in the Congress organisation. He has been active recently in securing radical reform in it and also funds to promote Congress work but the idea of imposing again a four anna subscription on every Congress member is repellant to his mind. Others, however, in the Congress camp take a different view, nor are they particularly anxious that this process of exposing Congress foibles should be continued week after week. They regard the latest homily from the Congress president as an unnecessary salting of wounds already inflicted on repentant backs. This is not the way they think to weed the tares out of the Congress field.

A NOVEL SUGGESTION

The 'Sakal' in a stinging leading article makes a novel suggestion. It desires Congress governments to give up the absurd habit of associating as many members of the Congress party in the legislatures as possible with the Government in some manner or other, by appointing them to various non-official committees, meant to help the executive to understand the needs of the people. These bodies, for example, the non-official committees to advise Government on rationing, have, naturally, no executive authority. Their advice need not be taken. When they are powerless to influence Government towards their way of thinking, they lose face in the public and the Congress organisation appears in the eyes of the people to be losing its importance. On the other hand, there are busy-bodies within the Congress who manage to hoodwink the public into believing that their influence with individual officials is great. Against this type, officialdom, particularly in the Bombay Presidency, has made a determined and a successful stand. The Poona journal suggests that the Congress party as a political organisation should give the impression that it will not interfere with the routine work of the executive authorities and the Government should see that it does not. Let there be also expert advisory committees but no ornamental appendages.

LET UNITY

A point of public interest which has found considerable mention in the Marathi press this fortnight is the probability of left wing organisations in the country achieving some sort of practical unity to fight the Congress. So far as the Maratha country

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

Friendly Relations

Addressing a public meeting in Karachi in connection with Independence Day celebrations, Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan referred also to Pakistan's relations with India. He is reported to have said: "We want friendly relations with India, but this can be achieved only when all outstanding issues are settled amicably and justly. The relations with India can be friendly only when the Kashmir issue is settled in an impartrial manner." It is an elementary truism that for establishment of genuine friendly relations whatever issues are outstanding between two parties should first be settled amicably and justly. There are undoubtedly a number of issues outstanding between India and Pakistan. But who can say that Pakistan has striven as much as India to settle them amicably and justly?

Behind The Smile

Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan apparently omitted to mention the issue of evacuee property. But he specifically mentioned Kashmir. No one can deny the importance of the Kashmir issue. It is of vital importance both in respect of Indo-Pakistan relations and also in its bearing on principles of international decency. Mr. Liaqat Ali Khan knows—indeed, his Government did at last make the admission—who set at naught principles of international law and decency. In order only to help in a friendly settlement of the issue India waived much of its rights under International Law, a fact which even the U.N. Commission has been unable to deny. But the trouble is that when Mr. Liaqat Ali talks of an "impartial manner" he hides behind the phrase a good many other designs and demands. There is a limit even to India's earnest wish to settle all outstanding issues in an amicable spirit. Incidentally, it is worthy of note that while talking of Indo-Pakistan relations he did not have the decency to offer any kind of apology or explanation for his outrageous statement regarding Indian Muslims on the occasion of the last Id.

Politics Of Violence

The news of yet another 'coup d'etat' in Syria which also involved summary execution of Colonel Husni Zaim and the Premier Mohsin Barazi, has come as a sudden shock. As Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, referring to it in his speech on Monday morning, emphasised it is not the business of outsiders to condemn or praise internal changes in another country. It is fundamentally the right and business of the people concerned to determine and decide upon the regime they want. But what causes concern is the method of violence which was used not only in the latest 'coup' but also its predecessor. If the strategy of 'coupe d'etat', secretly organised and suddenly carried out becomes the accepted type of political behaviour, only two results are possible: a succession of violent changes which reduces the country to a condition of instability and the people to a state of nervous insecurity or an autocracy, which, in order to establish and maintain itself firmly and unassailably, will naturally and very certainly deprive the people of all democratic freedom and rights. What "revolutions" and "counter-revolutions" result in should be a warning not so much to those who resort to violent methods but to the people who become the main sufferers.

The Fundamental Conditions

A Marshall Plan for Asia has been suggested as an important move in the fight for peace and democracy. It will certainly be useful and perhaps decisively effective. For, politically economic assistance will represent the opportunity that was lost in China with results that are so obvious. But the fundamental condition of success of a Marshall Plan in Asia is to realise the special circumstances of Asian countries. It is this important point that was emphasised by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru India's Prime Minister in his talk with American tourists. Asian countries have, most of them, been victims of Western Imperialism and economic exploitation. They are no longer willing to serve the old role. The trouble arises from the fact that Western Imperialism is still not quite willing to surrender its objectionable hold on so many countries of Asia. It creates and intensified conflicts, which are as much harmful to the West itself as to the countries concerned. A Marshall Plan cannot succeed in Asia if it has any kind of prejudicial strings, political or economic, attached to it. But, without such strings and with an unreserved surrender by the west of its old approach to Asian countries it will prove a great success and a sure guarantee of Asian adherence to the democratic world and to international peace. Communism and the Communist block in Europe and Asia have been named by the West as dangers to peace and to human progress. They will thrive in Asia if Asia is politically and economically enslaved. Political freedom and economic prosperity will render communism impossible. Lack of both or of either will be an invitation to it. The U.S.A. and the West must realise this fact. And realise it soon.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Undemocratic Precedent

You are already aware of the decision of the Government of India to nominate the members from the merged States in the Provincial Assemblies. There are 65 seats in the Bombay Legislative Assembly, which are going to be filled by nomination. This forms 38 per cent of the seats in the Assembly The merged states have an area of 38,000 square miles and a population of 85 lakhs. Such a large area is to be represented by nominated members.

This, you will agree, is a highly undemocratic precedent. The right of selecting representatives of a large population is being robbed of by the Government of India. The legislatures in the State Assemblies where these existed were only partially elected. Moreover all the parties in the state were united as far as struggle for democratisation was in progress. Now, however, these people are faced with completely different problem, quite similar to those facing the people of India. It is, therefore, necessary that people should be allowed to rouse their sentiments by electing their representatives. The arguments put forward to avoid these elections are lame. The Government has stated that (a) The lists of electors are not ready (b) The time is not suitable to hold elections and (c) That as there are elections approaching in 1950, there is no necessity to hold elections just now. All these arguments are, however, repudiated by facts. The lists in many states are ready. The situation in these areas are perfectly tranquil and an election is an absolute necessity.

The Socialist parties throughout Bombay Province have taken up this issue. A propaganda has been carried out through out the province. A conference has been convened of the representatives of the merged states to raise the voice of people against these nominations in Baroda. It is the cause of the people and an all party concern to see that democratic institutions are not destroyed even temporarily.

—H. R. GOKHALE.

I. A. S. & I. F. S.

The Federal Public Service Commission is holding a combined competitive examination from the 19th September, 1949 for recruitment to the I.A.S., I.F.S. and the central services. Scant justice has been shown to the candidates for the Foreign Service on the selection of subjects for examination. The two subjects, World History and International Law, can be offered by candidates for the Indian Foreign Service only, while for the Indian Administrative Service candidates must not select the two subjects.

On the other hand, candidates offering any subjects other than the above two are eligible equally for the I.F.S. as well as for the I.A.S. It is a striking contrast that candidates offering such subjects as Botany, Zoology, Geology, Mercantile Law and Advanced Accountancy and Auditing are eligible for both the principal services, while those offering World History and International Law are eligible for the Foreign Service only but ineligible for the I.A.S. If students of natural siences, mercantile law and accountancy are considered fit for selection in the I.A.S., neither the students of international law and relations will be misfits as administrators. It may be noted in this connection that formerly the I.C.S. candidates at the London Examination were competent to offer European History and International Law as their optional subjects.

Lastly, it is more reasonable to hold that serious students of international affairs should alone be selected in the Foreign Service and that the competition for the I.F.S. should be confined only to those candidates who will offer World History and International Law. Otherwise, the latter should have equal chances of selection in the Administrative Service. I like to draw the attention of the Federal Public Service Commission and the Government of India so that such an anomaly in the public services may be removed. An early decision by the authorities concerned will benefit candidates appearing this year.

"Horse Play"

Here is an eye-witness account of an utterly un-Indian behaviour on the part of some of the students of the Banaras Hindu University. One night senior students of the Rajputana and Limbdi hostels of the Engineering College invaded the First Year students' rooms. They forcibly opened doors, broke into the rooms and smashed everything on which they could lay their hands. This horse-play went to the extent of blackening the faces of the First Year Students with boot polish and other vulgar acts. This continued for about a fortnight till an introduction party was arrranged and the mischief stopped for some time. I was told this is a common past time of the senior students. Will the Banaras Hindu University authorities stop this nonsense and punish the mischief-makers? The First Year students are so terrified that they are unwilling to make any statement but if the authorities meet the parents they can get some information about it. Apparently the warden of the hostels does not interfere in this horse-play, as he apparently does not care to court unpopularity.

—A GUARDIAN.

National Day

On the Independence Day at least the different political parties should have forgotten their separate entities and joined together in celebration. But it was not to be so. The Congressmen and the Socialists held separate flag salutations and meetings. The day was used to propagate their own points of views. It will be better if a simpler and more dignified ceremony is evolved for the day in which every Indian can participate, whatever be his political views. On this day the Ministers and officials should mingle with the common people as equals. Instead of Ministers presiding over functions, the High Court judges should be asked to preside. The ceremony should contain of a prayer, singing of the National Anthem and taking the pledge anew. If there is to be something more, then all parties should be equally represented in the speakers. Controversial subjects should be scrupulously avoided. Then the National Day will have more dignity and the common people will feel that it is something nearer to them. No public functions should be arranged where admission is by invitation. All meetings on this day should be open to the rich and poor.

—DIWAKAR NAGARKAR.

"Twenty To Ten"

Many radio listeners will regret the closing down of the feature "Twenty to Ten", which had run for a year and had become so popular. In that five minutes' programme was packed such an amount of entertainment, which is not to be found even in items on which the Bombay station of the A.I.R. wastes half an hour. We hear that a new director has been appointed at this station and certain amount of changes are inevitable. But what one cannot understand is why discontinue such programmes, which have proved to be a great success?

—A LISTENER.

Is It Conspiracy?

Reports are being published that there have been simultaneous rioting by the communist detenus in many jails. It is a common policy of the Communists to make the authorities to use force. And they have succeeded in that. It is no concern of the comrades if in the process a few heads are broken or even lives lost. They expect that this will rouse the public sympathy for them and blacken the name of the Indian Government abroad. But the people are now familiar with the red tactics and the communists by their conduct will lose whatever sympathy is still left for them.

—M. A. MUNSIF

Protection

I read in these columns yesterday a plea for the protection of the Indian Electric Appliances industry. But does it deserve it? We have learnt to our bitter experience that many of our 'Swadeshi' goods manufacturers are exploiting our patriotism. Many of them seem to be interested in making the greatest amount of profit by selling the most inferior type of goods. In the office, I am working, the Indian made clock on the wall is a standing joke. On the slightest pretext it goes out of order. This is true of many of the Indian made goods. It is alright to encourage Indian industries but not at the cost of proping up profiteers and dishonest businessmen In the interest of the consumer it is better to buy foreign goods if it is going to last and give him satisfactory service. Whenever protection is given to any industry let us be sure that it deserves it and it will give a guarantee about maintaining good quality.

D. F. BOMANSHA.

In the OPEN AIR

Pawai Lake is fringed now with all shades and tones of green, while here and there we see the vivid scarlet of the Ixora, or the fairy-like Oxystalma, which lives with its roots in the water, and trails its delicate stems, with their long narrow leaves and thousands of purple-centred, bell-like flowers, over any nearby shrub. Just now the huge clumps of Costus are in flower, and their white blossoms gleam against their background of deep green. The Costus has a peculiar method of growth by which it may be recognised and which distinguishes it from the other members of the Ginger family to which it belongs. Its thick, red fleshy stems are curved spirally, and the leaves grow up in a single row on the outside of the spiral. The flowers arise from a cluster of deep red bracts at the head of each stem when it has attained a height of some three to four feet. The three red sepals within the bracts protect the coroda tube which opens out into three crinkled lobes, the lowest one tinged with yellow. The plant is a very attractive one and I am very glad that those I planted in my garden are thriving, for I often find that plants which have been accustomed to the rich humus of the woodland do not do well when they are transplanted.

COSTUS FLOWER

—D. R.

Hong Kong Prepares For Emergency

BILL FOR EXPULSION OF UNDESIRABLES

Fate Of Hengshan Hangs In The Balance

HONG KONG, Aug. 15, (UPA):

HONG KONG Government prepared tonight to announce an all out state of emergency in face of the unhindered march by the Chinese Communist troops towards this British Crown colony.

British troops are pouring into Hong Kong on every available ship. Some 20,000 are already here as Chinese Government and military leaders met in Canton to map a last ditch stand against the advancing Communist Army.

P.T.I.-Reuter adds: A step to strengthen Hong Kong's internal security will be taken on Wednesday when the Attorney-General, Mr. J. B. Griffin, moves the first reading in the Legislative Council of a bill for expulsion of "undesirables."

Any person suspected of being likely to promote sedition or cause disturbance of the public peace is defined as "undesirable", as well as the diseased, un-employed and prostitutes or persons living on prostitutes earnings. The Bill will not apply to British subjects or residents for over ten years in the Colony. The "undesirables" may be expelled after an enquiry by a competent authority appointed by the Governor.

HENGSHAN'S FATE

CANTON: Street fighting is taking place outside the walls of Hengshan important Hunan railway city between Changsha and Hengyang. Communist General Lin Piao's troops reached the city after repeated thrusts southwards down the railway Observers here believe that the city's fate will be decided within a few hours. If Hengshan falls, the way would be clear for a direct Communist attack on the Henyang headquarters of Nationalist General Pai Chung His.

CANTON'S EVACUATION

The Chinese Governments stepped up its evacuation of Canton on Monday, as six empty cargo planes left here to airlift Government property to Chungking.

Meanwhile Acting Foreign Minister George Yeh told Central News that Foreign Office branches were being established in Chungking and Formosa which will gradually take over functions of the main office in Canton.

MAO TSE-TUNG DEAD?

CANTON, Aug. 15. (U. P. A.): Military spokesman Chang Yi-ting officially admitted Monday that the Reds had broken into Hongshan and that fighting was under way at the East station.

The spokesman added that they had received additional reports that Mao Tse-tung was dead or critically ill.

Chang said that they received another report—fourth of the kind+ that Hao Tse-tung died at Piping on July 17 of tuberculosis. He added, however, that "I cannot confirm this, but there is no doubt of his serious illness."

Stop Press

KARACHI SITUATION

KARACHI, August 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter): Pakistani troops under the direction of Major-General Walter Sawthorn, Australian Deputy Chief of the Pakistan Staff, tonight marched into the area around the staff quarters of the Indian High Commissioner in Karachi.

TRUMAN'S GREETINGS

WASHINGTON, August 15, (P.T.I.-Reuter): President Truman sent a message of congratulations today to Mr. Chakravarti Rajagopalachari, Governor-General of India, on the occasion of the second anniversary of India's independence.

The message said: "I wish to express to Your Excellency and to the people of India my personal congratulations and the best wishes of the people of the United States".

SOCIALISTS ARRESTED

CALCUTTA, August 15 (P.T.I.): Sibnath Banerjee, a Socialist leader of West Bengal, Munshi Ahmed Din Labour leader of Jamshedpur and ten others were arrested yesterday at Burnpur (Burdwan) for rioting at a meeting held on Burnpur maidan, according to reports received here today.

CURFEW CLAMPED DOWN

KARACHI, Aug. 15 (PTI).—A twenty-four hour curfew was imposed on some parts of Karachi tonight after another disturbance in the city.

Police had again to use tear gas to disperse a 2,000 strong crowd which had gathered at the entrance of a block of flats on the Bunder Road near the Majestic Cinema, where they thought an Indian flag was flying.

SYRIA'S NEW GOVERNMENT

Army Chief Quits

DAMASCUS, Aug. 15, (UPA): Col. Sami el-Hinnaui handed over the political administration of Syria to a coalition civilian Cabinet on Monday after executing President Hosni Zaim and Premier Mouhsien el-Barazi in a lighting pre-dawn coup on Sunday.

A decree named Hashem el-Tassi as new Premier. Khaled el-Azam, overthrown 139 days ago, was called back to Government service as Finance Minister in the new Cabinet El-Hinnaoui said that the army must no longer interfere in political affairs. He said that the ten-man military council, which ruled in the hours immediately after Zaim's execution, had handed over all its political powers to the new Government.

"I am handing over power and returning to my essential job which is defending the country internally and externally," the colonel informed correspondents (adds PTI-Reuter).

He told the Cabinet, which held its first meeting early today, that his "sacred national mission" was now ended. He said he and his officers were ready to "shed their last drop of blood to preserve Syria."

BULGARIAN CABINET RESHUFFLED

SOFIA, Aug. 15, (U. P. A.): Bulgaria's new Premier, Vassil Kolarov, reshuffled his Government for the second time in two weeks today ousting one Cabinet Minister and a host of deputy ministers.

Politburo member General Glagoye Ivanoff was named Minister of Public Works replacing Manola Sake Loroua, who resigned for health reasons.

Committee Approval For Arms Aid Plan

WASHINGTON, August 15, (PTI-Reuter): The House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee today approved without cuts President Truman's arms-for-Europe programme.

The Committee refused to include an authorisation for an arms aid programme for non-Communist China.

Before passing the programme, the Committee split it up into amounts to be paid in cash and amounts to be paid in contract authority.

LONG RANGE WEAPONS

Joint British-Australian Venture

ADELAIDE, August 14 (P.T.I.-Reuter): A new British-Australian aviation company registered here with a nominal capital of £1,000,000 (Australian) will devote itself "entirely to long range weapons" according to a statement today by Mr. Branson, Chairman of the South Australian Industries Advisory Committee.

Mr. Branson said the company — The Fairey Clyde Aviation Company Proprietory Limited — was a joint venture by The Fairey Aviation Company Limited of Middlesex, England, and The Clyde Engineering Company of Sydney.

The new Company was under contract to the British Ministry of Supply he added. The Company would undertake no private work and would concentrate all its activities at Salisbury, 12 miles from Adelaide.

An official of the Commonwealth Long Range Weapons Establishment said that the Company planned to set-up an aeronautical research station which would be an extension of the work done by the Company for the British Ministry of Supply.

4,000 Greek Guerillas Annihilated: U. S. Report

ATHENS, Aug. 15, (U. P. A.): Unoited States' General James Vanfleet reported that an estimated 6/ per cent of the 7,000 guerillas, in the Vitsi Mountain battles of North Greece, last week, had been annihilated.

Vanfleet, head of the United States Military Mission to Greece and who returned to Athens from a front line tour, said that about 30 per cent of the Communist fighters had escaped following the crushing defeat

NEWS BRIEFS

(Compiled from PTI, UPI and UPA despatches).

Third Typhoon

A typhoon lashed southern Kyushu island Monday with 85-mile an hour gales and torrential rains that caused floods and destruction in an area already visited twice by typhoons this summer. There was no immediate estimate of damage.

Toll Climbs

The death toll climbed to 74 Monday in the city's polio outbreak. An additional 41 cases brought the total to 985 for the year.

Formal Recognition

Australia has formally recognized the Government of South Korea as an independent republic, the External Affairs Department announced Monday.

Trial Postponed

The trial of Siliman Akoos, Pretoria's Indian businessman charged with frauds and breaches of the Companies and Insolvency Acts, was postponed until August 19.

Rajaji's Present

The Governor-General Mr. C. Rajagopalachari presented a silver salver to the Chinese Ambassador, who is the Doyen of the Diplomatic Corps, when he called on the Governor-General on August 15 to felicitate him nad convey the greetings of the diplomatic corps on the occasion of the second anniversary of Indian independence.

Hyderabad Products

Products of Hyderabad's cottage industries valued at Rs. 10,000 have been placed as a preliminary step, with the Central Sales Emporium at New Delhi, of which Hyderabad is a member, for sale and for shipment to overseas markets.

Employment Body

A regional employment advisory committee has been formed in Secunderabad under the auspices of the Hyderabad Government. Its first meeting was inaugurated by Raja Dhondiraj Bahadur, member of the Military Government on August 14.

Churchill Honoured

Mr. Winston Churchill, Britain's war leader, on August 15 received the honorary citizenship of Strasbourg from the Mayor of the city.

For Calcutta

Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan, the Socialist leader, will leave Patna for Calcutta on Monday evening to attend the meeting of the National Executive of the All-India Socialist Party which is meeting at Calcutta on August 17.

Broke Fast

Nine Communists who were on hunger-strike in Monghyr jail for the last 16 days broke their fast Monday.

U. N. C. I. P.'s Discussions

SRINAGAR, August 15 (P.T.I.) A full meeting of the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan met here this morning and considered in detail certain procedural matters regarding the forthcoming Indo-Pakistan truce talks in Delhi on August 22.

Earlier, the Commission elected the Czechoslovakian member, Dr. Oldrich Chyle, as its chairman.

The Commission will move to Delhi in four days to participate in the talks.

CHIANG EN ROUTE TO KOREA

TAIPEH (China): General Chiang Kai-Shek (facing camera) talks to Lt. Gen Chou, Air Force Commander-in-Chief, just before Chiang flew from Taipeh to Korea for conferring with President Syngman Rhee of Korea. At left, holding hat, is Chiang's son. Major Gen. Chiang Ching-Kuo. ..

MEHTA PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

Our Ambassador To Holland

THE HAGUE, August 15 (PTI-Reuter): For the first time India's national flag is flying on Dutch soil, in the grounds of the Kasteel Oud Wassenaar where the Indian Embassy is temporarily located. For the first time, too, India's national anthem was heard in Holland. It was played by the band of the Marines at the Amsterdam Palace.

Dr. Mohan Singh Mehta to-day presented his credentials to Queen Juliana at a private ceremony at the Royal Palace at Amsterdam. It was at his special request that the Queen had agreed to receive him this morning so that after presenting credentials he could carry out the rest of a crowded day's programme in his official capacity of Ambassador.

Dr. Mehta to-day inaugurated the new radio service to South-East Asia of PCJ station at Hilversum with an Independence Day talk to India.

He said, "Just about three hours ago I presented the credentials of my office as India's first Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, to Her Majesty Queen Juliana. It was my earnest desire that this ceremony could take place to-day. I am very happy and indeed feel most grateful to the Queen for receiving me on this great day."

Andhra Veteran Dead

GUNTUR, Aug. 15 (PTI):—Death occurred in the early hours of this morning of Mr. Konda Venkatapaya, veteran Andhra Congress leader at the age of 83.

Collapses While Speaking

LONDON, August 14. (PTI-Reuter): Dr. R. U. Hingurani, eminent medical specialist and President of the Overseas Indian Association, collapsed in the Savoy Hotel, London, tonight while speaking at the Association's dinner to mark the second anniversary of Indian independence.

He had to be taken home. A friend said his collapsed was due to overwork.

At his home later it was stated: "He is feeling much better now".

Mr. Creech Jones, the Colonial Secretary, who was to have been the speaker at the dinner was unable to present.

Dictatorial Govt. In Uganda Condemned

LONDON, August 15 (PTI-Reuter). A demonstration organised in London's Trafalgar Square by the African League yesterday sent a resolution to Prime Minister Mr. Clement Atlee protesting against the British Government's attitude on recent disturbances in Uganda.

ORIYAS CLAIM TWO BIHAR STATES

CUTTACK, Aug. 14. (UPI): A resolution demanding that Kharswan and Seraikella States should be transferred to Orissa was passed at a meeting held here under the auspices of Utkal Sammelani, with Pandit Nilkantha Das in the chair.

Another resolution condemning the alleged atrocities in the two States against Oriyas and urging the Orissa Govt. and Govt. of India to intervene and set up an impartial enquiry into these allegations was also adopted at the meeting.

INDIA CELEBRATES INDEPENDENCE

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audience that foremost among the problems which India had to battle with was the food problem. The Governor added: "This adversity in food may be taken as a blessing in disguise. It has sharply turned the attention of the people to the long-neglected farmer and the unfortunate villager."

In Calcutta, Madras and Bombay, the Governors gave the lead by planting trees in Government houses. A vegetable garden was laid out in the compound of the Tamil Nad Congress Committee in Madras while in Gauhati the local Congress Committee had its compound ploughed up for planting trees.

Food pledges directed at both increased production and conservation of food were taken at public meetings at many places in the country.

HOPEFUL NOTE

At public meetings in the evening and in radio appeals, Provincial Governors, Ministers and party leaders called on the people to set the interests of the country before sectional or party interests and to work and produce more. Most speeches struck a hopeful note regarding the future.

Mr. B. G Kher, Premier of Bombay, told a mass meeting in Bombay this evening that the Congress Governments in the Centre and Provinces had been able to overcome many obstacles in the way during the two years of independence by steadfastly adhering to the principles on which the Father of the Nation won freedom for India. Mr. Kher said he was confident that the Kashmir problem would be satisfactorily solved very soon He did not, however, elaborate the point.

Two receptions were held in Bombay this evening, one by the Governor of Bombay at the Town Hall and the other by the Mayor of Bombay, Mr. S. K. Patil, at the Corporation Hall. Ministers of Bombay Government, members of the diplomatic corps, prominent officials and non-officials attended these functions.

Public meetings were also held in the city by the Socialist Party.

IN CALCUTTA

About three lakhs of people attended a public meeting at the Calcutta Maidan in the evening under the auspices of the West Bengal Provincial Congress Committee. Dr. P. C. Ghosh, Member of the Congress Working Committee, exhorted the people to rise above party and sectional squabbles. He asked them to fight corruption.

A thousand guests attended the reception held by the West Bengal Governor in the evening.

Fifty thousand people were present at a public meeting held in the Madras Government House grounds where the Premier Mr. P. S. Kumaraswamy Raja told the people that with their unstinted support and co-operation the Ministry would fulfil their election pledges before long.

ROUTE MARCH

In Poona, separate public meetings were held by the City Congress Committee and the Hindu Mahasabha. Earlier there was a route march by the police and home guards. Many people watched the exhibition of sporting events staged by various sports organisations.

In Hyderabad, Swamy Ramanand Tirth, President of the Hyderabad State Congress, stated at a public meeting in the evening that he regretted that the Muslims did not take part in the Independence Day celebrations in very large numbers.

STAMPS

Thirty post offices including the G.P.O. were open in Bombay city, for the sale of the new Indian postage stamps (Archaeological series) which were issued on Independence Day. The G.P.O. was kept open from 7-30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the other 29 post offices worked from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. First day covers were also sold and arrangements made to have the stamped envelopes cancelled with a special cachet, were taken advantage of by a large number of people.

Every Day Better Than Yesterday, Says Sarkar

CALCUTTA, August 15 (PTI).—Mr. N. R. Sarkar, acting Premier of West Bengal, in an Independence Day broadcast today said, "Things may not be ideal, but certainly they are not getting worse and every today is getting better than our yesterdays."

The Broadcast talk was given at the Calcutta centre of the All-India Radio.

Mr. Sarkar reviewed the two years of independent administration and said that despite all the adverse balance which could weigh down any administration in the world "our leaders have gallantly steered the ship of state on an even keel through turbid waters; and we have reason to feel grateful that so much has been done in short a time, an achievement which indeed has raised the prestige of India throughout the world."

Mr. Sarkar said that compared to the immensity of the problems before the country, Government had done a good job of their task and prevented the country from drifting into chaos."

OCCASION FOR SILENT RE-DEDICATION

Rajaji's Reception Address

NEW DELHI, Aug. 15, (P. T. I): Over 3,000 guests including Ministers of Government of India and members of the diplomatic corps attended the reception given today by the Governor-General Mr. C. Rajagopalachari at Government House on the occasion of the second independence anniversary.

The reception was held at the spacious Moghul Gardens. Mounted detachments and Governor-General's Bodyguard were in attendance. His Excellency moved among the guests and talked to many of them.

At the conclusion of the function the Governor-General thanked the guests and said: "It is a great anniversary, an occasion for thankfulness and joy and silent rededication. May India's glory grow from more to more. Mahatma Gandhi Ki Jai."

Reunion Of Ex-Soldiers

JAIPUR, Aug. 15 (UPI): Sardar Baldev Singh, Defence Minister, Government of India and General K. M. Cariappa, Commander-in-Chief will be at Jaipur on August 21.

The occasion will be the reunion of ex-soldiers and a recruiting mela (rally) to be held here on that day. An exhibition of various arms and equipment used by the army will be held in the mela at the Exhibition Ground behind the Museum.

The Defence Minister and the Commander-in-Chief will also address the rally.

His Highness the Rajpramukh of Rajasthan will be present on the occasion.

London Celebrations: Sun Over India House

LONDON Aug. 15, (PTI-Reuter):

THOUSANDS of Indians and friends of India thronging India House today to celebrate the second anniversary of India's independence heard a message from Pandit Nehru calling on all Indians to dedicate themselves anew to the service of India and expressing faith in India's future.

The message, read by the High Commissioner, Mr. V. K. Krishna Menon, said: "In the last year we have many achievements to our credit and we have faced many dangerous situations. In many ways we have not succeeded in what we attempted to do, but we face the new year with courage and confidence and with full faith in the future of India. For the coming year we must dedicate ourselves anew to the service of India."

Mr. Menon spoke of the pioneer work of Mahatma Gandhi and others in achieving Indian independence, and said: "Today we miss his presence, but from the example and legacy Mahatma Gandhi left we must take our inspiration. The more we depart from that the less shall be our achievements."

TWO MEN

The High Commissioner outlined the historic parts played by Pandit Nehru and Mr. Attlee in the transference of power to India, declaring: "There are today no two great statesmen who will go down in history for achieving more in human liberation with the least amount of violence and the capacity to forgive and forget at the same time than those two men."

Mr. Menon thought the greatest single achievement of the Government and people of India was survival. "That we survived the last 24 months is a great historic act "he said. But it was no time to be complacent. The greatest task ahead was to raise the standard of living of the people.

CHEERS

Mr. Menon's hearers clapped loudly when he said that the agreement between India and the United Kingdom had been achieved by commonsense and it was unique in the history of mankind. The applause was renewed when he declared: "Those who waver and can see only the dark side and what happened yesterday have no right to participate in the working out of the future."

Lord Addison, the Lord Privy Seal also paid tributes to Pandit Nehru and the British Prime Minister in bringing about Indian independence.

"You have an immense task, immensely complicated, but with complete sincerity I say our goodwill and co-operation as far as they can be humanly extended are yours to the full."

The Lord Privy Seal spoke warmly of the High Commissioner, and described him as "a very vigorous High Commissioner." "Your great country, whoever you may have as High Commissioner will never have a more stalwart or fearless representative."

COLOUR GUARD

Early today Londoners hurrying to their work saw the colour guard of 50 Indian ratings marching smartly from Hyde Park across Trafalgar Square were Nelson's column stands and along the Strand to India House.

British mounted police went ahead clearing a way through the heavy early morning traffic and the colour guard with fixed bayonets, marched unimpeded through the heart of London. They were led by Lieutenant R. K. G. Gandhi of the Ranjit, marching to attention with drawn sword with Sub-Lieutenant D. S. Paintal of the Rajput at the rear.

In the courtyard adjoining India Hopuse where the ceremony of saluting the flag of India was to take place, the crowds were massed twenty deep round the hollow square formed by the naval colour guard, Indian naval cadets, and officers of the Indian Army, Navy and Air Force.

Women in saris and men in national costume, mingling with the three service uniforms and Europeans summer dresses, made a colourful scene.

The High Commissioner who inspected the guard, was bareheaded and wore a grey sherwani and white churidar Pyjamas. As he and Lord Addison walked round, occasionally chatting to a member of the guard the sun, which had now climbed above the surrounding buildings, divided the scene into brilliant light and shade.

SINK ALL RELIGIOUS DIFFERENCES

Kher's Call To Muslims To Solve Vital Problems

BOMBAY, Monday.

A fervent appeal to the citizens of Bombay to forget their religious differences and co-operate in consolidating the newly-won freedom of the country by following the Gandhian path of non-violence was made by Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier, at a mass Muslim meeting, held under the auspices of the Jamiat-Ulema, in celebration of the Independence Day, at Kaiser Baug, tonight. The Baug was tastefully decorated with flags and buntings. Maulana Abdul Azis Behari presided.

Mr. Kher said that religion was no barrier to the progress of a country. Though forms of worship differed, the core of all religions was one, namely, search after Truth. Members of different communities could come together to solve some of the vitals problems that faced the country today and that were common to them all, irrespective of their caste, creed or colour.

CELEBRATIONS IN NEW YORK

Indian Students' Performance

NEW YORK, Aug. 15, (P. T. I.): The second anniversary of India's independence was celebrated by the Hindustan Students Association at International House, New York, with great enthusiasm. Over two thousand persons, a great proportion of them Americans, attended a programme of speeches and entertainments which were generally appreciated.

Mr. R. R. Saksena, Consul-General for India in New York, was the principal speaker. He dwelt on India's cultural history and traced the vicissitudes and trials through which India had risen to a position where she could strive to occupy a well honoured place in the family of nations. The students gave a dramatic performance as well as exhibitions of classical Indian dances and music.

Ceremony In Washington

Washington: Indians in Washington celebrated their Independence Day today at the Indian Embassy. The Ambassador, Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, addressing the gathering in Hindustani and in English, said India had solved some of her problems since attaing independence two years ago, "But", she said, "many more are to be overcome and solved. At this time we shall rededicate ourselves to the ideals and principles of the Father of our Nation, Mahatma Gandhi, who fought and died for them."

The gathering of Indian students and other Indian nationals in Washington, at the request of the Ambassador, stood in silence for two minutes. The Ambassador hoisted the flag of India and the national anthem was sung.

FACT OF TREMENDOUS IMPORTANCE

Italian's Tribute

ROME, August 15 (PTI-Reuter): Professor Giuseppe Tucci, President of the Italian Institute for the Middle and Far East, broadcasting over Rome Radio tonight, said: "The birth of India as a free nation represents a fact of tremendous importance.

"History up to now has been made only by the West. But the inexhaustible resources of India, her genius and her inventive capacities, are a new outstanding factor of world history.

"International life will no longer be possible without an effective collaboration between East and West intended to benefit mankind and to develop everlasting human values.

"If these values fade, man goes back to a state of primitive tribal organisation, where only chiefs and slaves are known.

"I wish my friends in India to know that everybody in Italy admires them and follows with great interest and sympathy the increasing prosperity of India.

"We join with full understanding and sympathy with India celebrating her independence today, and express to the Indian people the most heartfelt wishes for the full realisation of their ideas."

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Nehru Reviews 2 Years' Work

CALL TO COUNTRY FOR SACRIFICES

"We Will Steer Clear Of All Power Blocs"

NEW DELHI August 15 (UPI).

DIGNIFIED ENTHUSIASM MARKED INDIA'S CELEBRATION OF HER SECOND INDEPENDENCE DAY TODAY.

The third year of independence opened today on a note of stern, austere dedication to the tasks of providing simple, primary necessities to millions of Indians. Pursuant to the directives of the Congress High Command as well as the Government of India, today's celebrations were purposefully stripped of all embellishments, special emphasis being laid on food production and planting of trees.

The day started with a solemn homage to the father of the nation. The ministers of the Central Government led by Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru assembled early in the morning at Mahatma Gandhi's "Samadhi" at Rajghat for a short but solemn prayer the Prime Minister arrived at the Red Fort punctually at 8-20 a.m. and inspected a ceremonial parade of a combined contingent of the Royal Indian Navy, the Royal Indian Air Force and the Indian Army.

10 Lakhs Attend Meeting

Later, at 8-40 a.m. Pandit Nehru unfurled the national flag over the historic Red Fort in Delhi amidst tumultuous shouts and cheers from a crowd nearly ten lakhs which had assembled all around the fort from far and near.

Cabinet ministers, the Commander-in-Chief General Carriappa and members of the diplomatic corps attended the ceremony. In spite of the blazing sun, the vast crowd heard the Prime Minister with rapt attention except occasionally to greet his remarks with tremendous applause.

In spite of mud and slush on roads due to heavy rains here last night, thousands wended their way from early morning towards Rajghat to pay their respectful homage to Mahatma Gandhi.

Mahatma Gandhi's 'Samadhi' at Rajghat, which has recently been raised by nine feet, was decorated in multi-colour flowers and sweet-smelling incense. People came in their thousand and bowed in reverence in front of the 'Samadhi', placed flowers and wreaths and contributed for the Harijan fund.

At 6-30 a.m. Prime Minister Pandit Nehru, accompanied by the Delhi P.C.C. President, Shri Radha Raman, entered the enclosure of the 'samadhi' and placed wreaths. General K. M. Cariappa, India's C-in-C, placed wreaths on the 'samadhi' on behalf of all ranks of the Indian army.

Ministers, members of the Constituent Assembly and people of all classes and sects were noticed among the vast crowd.

Hoisting the national flag at the Red Fort this morning the Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, said that the past two years, though a small period in India's 3,000-year-old history, had been vital.

The country, he said, had emerged as a powerful nation, and inspite of many shortcomings and difficulties was going ahead with full vigour into the future which was bound to be bright.

He appealed to the people to have confidence in themselves as well as in the destiny and future of their motherland and exhorted them to work hard selflessly to build a happy strong and prosperous India in which poverty and misery would cease to exist.

31-gun salute and a dip by a formation of R.I.A.F. Tempests formed the high lights of the ceremony.

In the course of his 40—minute speech Pandit Nehru touched upon a wide range of subjects including the foreign policy, the food problem, maintenance of law and order and his proposed visit to U. S. A.

He emphasised the need for maintaining law and order in the country and told the people that peace was an essential pre-requisite for progress. "No policy or programme of any government can work unless there is peace and order in the country," he said.

Referring to the people who wanted to create chaos by indulging in violence, Pandit Nehru said that such persons were the enemies of freedom and democracy and wanted that the country should weaken. He was amazed that a number of persons who otherwise were opposed to violence in principle, sided with such misguided youths out to create disorder, with a view to achieve some immediate gain, like winning the elections. "It is rather strange that for the sake of some minor gains, we should overlook the larger interest of the nation as a whole," he added.

He reaffirmed India's foreign policy to "steer clear of all power blocs." He added that this policy was being pursued not from the interests of India alone but keeping in view the wider considerations of maintaining world peace.

He further said: "We want to have friendly relations with all nations and have no aggressive designs against any one. We do not want to interfere with the internal affairs of any country, nor would we tolerate any interference in our internal affairs. We will, however, do all we can to relieve the tension between the power blocs.

Pandit Nehru said that India would soon be a republic. The republican constitution was being framed by the Constituent Assembly. But, he emphasised, by merely having a constitution on paper they could not run the country on republican lines. What counted most was the will of the people.

Emphasising the need for every single individual in the country to put in hard work in his own sphere of activities, Panditji added: "The present generation was sentenced to hard labour. They could not escape it whether they liked it or not. They should, therefore, devote themselves whole heartedly to build their country, brick by brick, into a mighty edifice. The future shape and progress of your country depends upon how far you are prepared to strengthen it with your blood, sweat and toil".

Pandit Nehru then recalled the days of fight for freedom and reminded the people how in those days all of them used to work with enthusiasm and vigour without having any personal ends. At that time they had no armed forces to depend upon, no foreign power to look up to for help; they had nevertheless the light of Mahatma Gandhi to guide them; and above all this they had self-confidence and confidence in their inherent strength and the future of India. He exhorted the people not to give up this confidence now when they had achieved their freedom and were the masters of their destiny.

Continuing Pandit Nehru said that they had achieved their political independence but the task of attaining economic freedom still remained unfulfilled. All their efforts had now to be directed to this end so that poverty and misery, ignorance and disease could be banished from the country for ever.

He, however, admitted that there were many difficulties in their way. They were faced with many gigantic problems like rehabilitation of the displaced persons. They were doing their utmost to solve these problems. He could not say whether they would succeed or not. However, he was confident that India would succeed may be.

They might not succeed and others might have to step in to complete the task left unfinished. Nevertheless their country was immortal and everlasting. It was bound to forge ahead with its head erect and occupying a glorious position in the comity of nations.

Concluding the Prime Minister appealed to every citizen of India "to do his or her mite to make 'Bharat' strong, great and prosperous."

INDIA IS MARCHING FORWARD

A "P. T. I." message says:

Pandit Nehru, speaking at the Red Fort said that during the two years of India's freedom the country had marched forward despite mistakes that had been made. When India had defeated a mighty imperialist power in its struggle for freedom it should not be afraid of anything now. He made it clear that through slogans, petty criticism and a feeling of despondency no problem could be solved. Responsibility for building up the nation had to be shared alike by the civil servants, the army, the navy and the air force and all classes of people.

The Prime Minister referred to the guidance of Mahatma Gandhi in the freedom struggle and said: "We had the light of Gandhiji to cheer us. It lifted our hearts and gave us inner strength. An ideal of the future was created before us which beckoned us forward. Crores of people worked for achieving this ideal forgeting their domestic problems, and leaving their families and earthly belongings".

Stating that India had to play her part in maintaining peace in the world, Pandit Nehru said that no country was India's enemy. But as Indians did not intend to interfere in the internal affairs of any country, so they would not allow any other country to interfere in their domestic sphere. (Cheers).

In world group, he said, India would remain neutral. That way alone could India serve the cause of peace, which was being threatened today by talk of war. War would entail world-wide destruction. India would strike to bring the different nations together. India would not join any bloc.

His forthcoming visit to America in October, Pandit Nehru said, did not mean that India was against any country. He was going to a "great, powerful and prosperous country with a message of goodwill". India wanted to befriend the American people. He, in fact, wanted to befriend every country in the world.

REVOLUTION IN ASIA

Pandit Nehru said that the revolutions that were taking place in several countries in Asia were the concern of the people living there. They were free to follow the ideology they choose.

He referred to the draft constitution and said that it would be finalised in a few months' time. But a paper constitution alone could not help the people. The nation could only be strengthened by the people's industry by their sweat and toil and their zeal for producing more. They needed courage and vision to build a new India. Poverty could be got rid of when men and women worked together and worked hard. Pandit Nehru added that he had full faith in the future of India.

Referring to the economic situation Pandit Nehru said that the first requisite for solving it was peace in the country. This and other allied problems such as the rehabilitation of refugees, the plight of the middle classes, and inflation, could not be solved if there was hooliganism in the country.

The policy of using violence that some misguided youngmen were trying to follow would only lead to the weakening of the country. It was, therefore, everybody's duty to see that peace was maintained. He said that if people were dissatisfied with the government there were peaceful ways of changing it. But extremist elements in the country did not have any faith in democracy. They, in fact, wanted more chaos and misery at the present, although they might be having their plans of building the country twenty years hence.

DEFENCE MINISTER COMMENDS THE WORK OF ARMED FORCES

NEW DELHI, August 15, (UPI): Expressing his "feelings of admiration and pride," the Defence Minister, Sardar Baldev Singh, in his "independence day" message to the armed forces of free India said that seldom had the test and challenge to the military strength of a people been posed so soon after their freedom and from such a congregation of hostile forces. The challenge has been faced full square, the face of the enemy turned, the head of rebellion crushed before it could be raised, and our forces have in one lusty stride gained the status of full pleged verterans.

"For you in the armed forces, the two years of our independence have been crowned with one campaign after another. The dark and shameful days of the partition of our country gav you your most uneniviable and trying task. Working in a surging sea of hate, loot and all the bestial instincts, you stood out as firm guardians of the forces of sanity and mercy, leading out under your protecting hearths and homes which had overnight become alien territory. Our soldiers too became poor refugees on both sides of the border the sole means of saving their honour and life. In such times to have performed your duties with such admirable and iron control over yourselves and to have stood as a warden of safety to all alike was a noble and worthy thing. The foundation of our country were shaken by this mass upheaval and were stayed by the ceaseless devotion to tuty of our heroic forces.

Dr. John Matthai, Finance Minister, unfurling the national flag at the New Delhi YMCA, called upon the people of India to face their problems with "unity, courage and discipline."

During the past two years, he said "the people and Government of this country have stood together and surmounted difficulties and problems unparalleled in magnitude and the sundenness with which they descended upon us. We face the future with more confidence than ever. I hope that the flag I have unfurled this morning will continue to stand before us as a symbol of courage and hope."

In times such as these, Dr. Matthai said, what the country needed was not so much men of intellectual ability but men of character.

HOW MADRAS GOVT. CELEBRATES

MADRAS, Aug. 15. (UPI): The Madras Government have on the second anniversary of Indian independence issued the first notification to take over 33 zamindari estates in the province as provided for in the Madras Estates (abolition and conversion into ryotwari) Act, 1949.

The Government have notified their intention to take over on 7th September 1949 the estates notified and also certain under tenure estates included in those estates.

Vizianagaram, Venkatagiri, Bobbili, and Pithapuram estates in Andhra Desa and Ramanad and Sivaganga estates in the Tamilnad are some of the major estates and the rest are minor ones. It will be noted in this connection that there are about 1,800 zamindari estates in the province.

A Government press communique issued in this connection says "owing to administrative exigencies the estates can be taken over only in batches and not all at one time. The Government have considered it best to make a beginning with all the major estates in the province, that is estates with a total annual rent roll, of over rupees five lakhs each, Vizianagaram, Ramnad, Sivaganga, Venkatagiri, Bobbili, and Pithapuram estates are the biggest zamindaris in the province, and their aggregate rent roll comes to a little less than half the rent roll of all the zamindaris, the Government also consider it administratively desirable to take over a few small estates in the first instance and thereby gain some experience in regard to the conditions in such estates.

They have accordingly decided to take over on September 7, 1949 the estates notified and also certain under tenure estates included in those estates".

As regards the remaining other estates the communique says "the Government intends to take over all the zamindari estates in a number of districts in the second batch as soon as the necessary preliminary investigation has been completed, say before the end of the calendar year, the remaining zamindari estates will be taken over in another batch as early as possible in the next year."

JAIPUR, August 14, (UPI): His Highness the Rajpramukh in a message to his people on the occasion of the independence day says:—

"My appeal to every one of you in Rajasthan is to rise to the occasion and make use of the great opportunity open to you of serving your motherland at this historic turn in our destiny. As worthy citizens, wherever you are, and however, humbly in life you are placed, you have to play your part in order to revitalise society and this rebuild the great edifice of this land of legends and brave warriors. We cannot afford to remain as passive spectators when epoch making changes are taking place.

"Nor can we hold ourselves aloof from the progressive forces. We can prosper and progress, plan and build, only in an India, strong and secure. So it behoves all to learn to respect law and have a greater civic sense and discipline as free citizens, one ingredient essential for success is to have the spirit of self abnegation and sacrifice for the common good of all for it is only then that we can bring real democracy into being, then alone shall we be able to preserve it as a way of life and enrich it as a means of promoting cultural, social and economic well being, which ideal the father of the nation placed before us and to achieve which he lived and died.

"I sincerely hope the third year of the independence of our nation will bring us peace and plenty, internal peace and strength and ever increasing prestige abroad as a great and vital force in the cause of peace, freedom and international goodwill"

HOMI MODY CALLS FOR UNITY

LUCKNOW, August 15, (UPI) Hoisting the flag at the Victoria Park today before a mammoth gathering in spite of heavy rains His Excellency Shri Homi Mody said.

"We are celebrating the anniversary of one of the most remarkable events in history. On this day two years ago, a transference of power took place on a scale and in a manner to which there is no parallel. A century and a half of alien rule came to an end by mutual goodwill, and the people of India entered proudly upon their heritage.

"But an enormous amount of work remains to be done before it can be consolidated. We have to satisfy the elementary ends of over three hundred millions of people and make life worth living for them. We have to banish ignorance, superstition and desease, and have to equip ourselves with the aid of modern science and technique to take our place among the leading nations of the world. In an age in which, unhappily, might is still right we have to prepare to defend ourselves against aggression, from whatever quarter it may come. These are tasks which we as a free people have to show our capacity to shoulder. Each man and woman has his or her place in this great undertaking. Whether we belong to the Government, or the public services, or the armed forces, or the police, or are engaged in commerce and industry, we have a duty to perform and a lot of work to do. Let us close up our ranks and, on this anniversary of independence day, solemnly resolve that we shall uphold the honour of this flag and that we shall not fail.

"I would say a special word to those who are gathered here. Our armed forces have covered themselves with glory in recent operations and enhanced their reputation for valour and discipline. All honour to them for what they have achieved. Our police, on the whole, have given a good account of themselves in the troublous times through which we are passing and have faced up to their duties without flinching. They have an important role to play and need our confidence and encouragement."

CALCUTTA, August 14 (U.P.I.): Addressing a labour rally organised by the Revolutionary Socialist Party in Calcutta today, Shree Jogesh Chandra Chaterjee criticised the Congress Government on the charge of aligning itself with capitalists. Congress Government were denying civil liberties to people and allowing the industrialists and landlords to exploit the workers and peasants, Shree Chaterjee further alleged.

Later, the workers including a large number of women paraded some main streets of the city in a procession which terminated in Sradhananda Park.

BARODA, August 14 (U.P.I.): To celebrate the second anniversary of India's Independence the collector, Baroda has arranged a programme of flag salutation and tree planting ceremonies at Kothi on August 15, 8-30 A.M. Similar functions will also be held at the Mamlatdar's offices in Baroda district, and in all the talukas of Baroda districts.

"TRUE SOLDIERS OF FREEDOM"

Baldev Singh's Tribute To Armed Forces

CALL TO UNITS TO KEEP "AN ETERNAL VIGIL"

IN the course of his message to the Armed Forces of India on the Independence Day, Sardar Baldev Singh said: "You are the soldiers of freedom. You are first in the hearts of people. You are first in war and you will be the first in our thoughts in peace".

Paying a tribute on their achievements of the, year, the Defence Minister said that soon after the independence, the Armed Forces had been called upon to face a great challenge and the forces had faced it full square.

"The face of the enemy has been turned", he added, "the head of the rebellion rushed before it could be raised". The forces had gained the status of full fledged veterans in one lusty stride.

Text Of The Broadcast

The following is the full text of Mr. Baldev Singh's message.

It is with feelings of admiration and pride that on this occasion of the second anniversary of our independence, I greet the armed forces of free India. Already in the short period of two years, you have been tried and tested on the battlefields in the defence of your country.

Seldom has the test and challenge to the military strength of a people been posed so soon after their freedom and from such a congregation of hostile forces. The challenge has been faced full square, the face of the enemy turned, the head of rebellion crushed before it could be raised, and our forces have, in one lusty stride, gained the status of full fledged veterans.

"WARDENS OF SAFETY TO ALL"

"For you in the armed forces, the two years of our independence have been crowded with one campaign after another. The dark and shameful days of the partition of our country gave you your most unenviable and trying task. Working in a surging sea of hate, loot and all the bestial instincts, you stood out as firm guardians of the forces of sanity and mercy, leading out under your protecting arms the convoys of millions of our people driven from their hearths and homes which had overnight become alien territory. Our soldiers became to the poor refugees on both sides of the border the sole means of saving their honour and life.

In such times to have performed your duties with such admirable and iron control over yourselves and to have stood as a warden of safety to all alike was a noble and worthy thing. The foundation of our country were shaken by this mass upheaval and were stayed by the ceaseless devotion to duty of our heroic forces.

"Having ebbed the tide of the lawless forces in the Punjab, you were faced with the breach of the dam on another front. This time it was the tribes of the North West manoeuvred into the Kashmir Valley according to a deep and well laid plot to usurp by fraud and force what they dared not leave to the free and fair decision of its people. How the Indian forces snatched Srinagar from the jaws of the loot-crazed monster that the invaders had become, how the valley and the over-run parts of the Jammu province were retrieved and cleared of the blighting hands of the enemy are matters that have writ large the valour and invincibility of our troops.

PRICKING THE HYDERABAD BUBBLE

While yet in the midst of the mission to decontaminate Jammu and Kashmir, you had to turn aside for a moment to prick the bubble in Hyderabad. The Razakar and other lawless forces had been allowed to swell themselves like the frog in the fable who inflated himself to beat the size of the elephant and burst in the attempt. Our armies "went and saw and conquered".

The tale could have been repeated elsewhere and if you had to restrain yourselves in Jammu and Kashmir, it was because this country has always chosen the ways of peace even though we may incur material disadvantage. The cease-fire was a call from the country's leaders and you the soldiers obeyed.

THE AIR FORCE

The team spirit and unison with which the Army and Air Force have acted in these common adventures in Jammu and Kashmir have shown in practice how, imbued with a common purpose, our forces will always act as one. The Air Force as the younger partner, has not lagged behind the Army and indeed, in individual feats of skill and daring they have set-up a record which will be difficult to match anywhere in the most gruelling campaigns of the last war. The unexplored and difficult hilly tracts and mountain ranges, the lack of proper ground services and airfields, the difficulty of operating from such advanced bases, just did not count with our young and intrepid air force.

"While expressing my admiration for the forces, I include equally the Army, the Air Force and the Navy. It is true that you of the Navy have not yet been called upon to show your mettle on the high seas, but that is of little account, for preparedness in itself is all, and I know that there you march abreast with your sister services. You have been cast so far in the more humdrum and unspectacular part of having to perfect our training and there is yet leeway to make before you have the wherewithal of a force which our country must have. But the navy has always been the silent service and prefers to work quietly on, waiting for the call.

I wish after these two years of constant campaigning I could now tell you to relax for a well learned rest. While there has been a eease fire since the beginning of the year, you have had to be still on the vigil, for the enemy will not catch us unawares and strike behind our back for a second time. The time for relaxing our vigilance is alas not yet, for despite the best will in the world, you can lead the horse to the water but cannot make it drink. There you have the matter in a nutshell. We have made every sacrifice possible in the interests of peace and will indeed always be willing to do so in the interests of a fair and just decision of the issue. But I must ask you to remain eternally vigilant till this issue is decided once and for all and the clouds of uncertainty and stalemate are scattered.

You are the soldiers of freedom, you are first in the hearts of your people, you are first in war, and you will be first in our thoughts in peace. Remember this, therefore, while you listen to me or read these words that your countrymen are ever mindful of each one of your guarding the frontier of your homeland in the distant hills and glaciers, mountain passes, and riverine gorges, in the bunkers and the dugouts, on the prowl and on the watch, alert, vigilant and stout-hearted, waiting patiently for the zero hour. I pray and hope the need will not arise but if it does, God be with you and do your duty. The enemy will not forget the consequence and history will scrawl your name on golden fluttering pinions as the just defenders. "Jai Hind".

FOOD—A NATIONAL PROBLEM

Minister's Call For Co-operation

NEW DELHI, Aug. 15 (PTI): "Every one of you must feel that you are helping to solve a great national problem—the problem of food—and if you approach your task in this spirit, success is sure to be attained," declared Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Minister of Food and Agriculture, addressing the workers of the Central Tractor Organisation of the Ministry of Agriculture on the occasion of the Second Independence Anniversary celebrations held at the premises of the organisation at New Pusa (Delhi) this morning.

Reclamation of cultivable waste land is an important part of the 'Grow More Food' campaign and the country expects a good deal from the Central Tractor Organisation, the Minister said. He reminded the workers that the progress and prosperity of the country depended on the efforts of everyone, not alone on the Minister and officials and hoped that on this auspicious day the workers would dedicate themselves anew to the noble task, which they had been privileged to undertake.

Mr. R. K. Patil, Commissioner of Food Production, who unfurled the National Flag to the tune of the 'Jana Gana Mana' made a fervent appeal to the workers to develop a spirit of service. Describing himself as a humble sepoy in the country's cause, he said that their work must be imbued with a spirit of sincerity and enlightened enthusiasm. The task is not easy, and unless there was earnest endeavour on the part of everybody, success was not possible.

Mr. Patil pleaded for a proper and direct approach to the Kisan and said that without his wholehearted and intelligent co-operation, success could not be achieved.

AT SINGAPORE

SINGAPORE, August 15 (P.T.I.-Reuter): Hoisting the Indian National Flag at India House this morning Mr. J. A. Thivy, Government of India's Representative in Malaya appealed to Indians overseas to consider themselves as unofficial Ambassadors of their country and uphold the prestige of India in everyway.

Indians in Singapore held an independence eve dinner last night at which the President of the Indian Association, Dr. M. Abraham appealed to all Indians in Malaya to understand one another more and remain United. Mr. Thivy said no Government, British or Indian, could have tackled India's many problems following partition more ably or with greater sincerity of purpose than the present Indian Government. They were all proud of the Nehru Government's achievements.

ROOT OUT ORGANISED VIOLENCE

Dr. Katju's Call To West Bengal People

CALCUTTA, August 15 (PTI).

THE Governor of West Bengal, Dr. K. N. Katju, today called upon the people of West Bengal to put a stop to the organised violence which, he said, was tarnishing the fair name of the Province almost week after week.

His Excellency was particularly referring to the recent armed raid in a jute mill in Serampore (Hooghly) in which cash amounting to Rs. 1,50,000 was looted.

In the Independence Dav broadcast from the Calcutta centre of All-India Radio, the Governor said: "This tendency to resort to terrorisation and to violence must be eradicated from the minds of our young men and women. That should be our first and foremost task if Bengal is to make its proper contribution in the building up of our national structure."

A BOOMERANG

Gandhiji, he added, condemned the use of violence even against alien rulers, because he knew that it might act like a boomerang and destroy us when we became free. He, therefore, suggested that our pledge of the hour should be to abjure the use of violence in all our internal conflicts and discussions.

He hoped that the over-hanging clouds, like all clouds, would soon disappear and with firm faith and determination and united endeavour "we shall soon surmount the economic difficulties which beset, not only us in India but people in other countries also."

Earlier, Dr. Katju extended "a warm welcome to our brothers and sisters of Chandernagore who have come back to the fold after so many years." In this great family, the Governor hoped, they would live a richer, happier and nobler life.

MAHATMA'S MIRACLE

The Governor said that as over a thousand men, women and children sat down to spin at Government House this morning in an hour's solemn silence, listening to the music of the spinning wheel and songs in its praise, they thought of their immortal Bapu, who two years ago had wrought a miracle and exorcized the demon of communal hatred and violence from this great city and restored sanity and peace and goodwill.

He expressed his grief at the loss of innocent lives in the Serampore incident, but he also rejoiced that the inhabitants of the locality, led by a school master, had shown unmistakably that they would no longer tolerate violence.

The name of this school teacher, he was confident would live for many years in the annals of Bengal, as a citizen who did not hesitate to risk and eventually to lose his life so that ordered liberty might reign supreme in Bengal.

LET US ALL BURY OUR DIFFERENCES

Sir Homi Mody's Plea

LUCKNOW, August 15, (P. T. I.): Sir Homi Mody, Governor of the United Provinces, broadcasting from the Lucknow station of All India Radio tonight said that there could be no better way of celebrating Independence Day than resolving to bury our difftrences, to purify our ranks and to tackle the tasks that awaited us "so that India can march resolutely to the fulfilment of her destiny."

"Free India," the Governor said "was born in the midst of chaos and misery. Almost at once she was called upon to grapple with an internal situation of unexampled difficulty. That she emerged from it in so short a time, with her political and economic structure undamaged in the main, would always be to the credit of the statesmen who had been guiding her destinies."

Ban On Meetings In Madras

CALICUT, August 15, (P.T.I.): The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Malabar, has issued orders under Section 30 of the Madras Police Act, under which permission of the police is required for taking out processions and 'jathas' and to hold meetings in the city.

The order will remain in force for seven days.

TINNEVELLY, August 14, (P.T.I.): A few acid bulbs, one country-made bomb and some Communist literature were seized by the police following a search in various places in the town today.

Thirty-two persons were taken into custody.

CHANDERNAGORE JOINS INDIA

Dash Takes Over Police Administration

CHANDERNAGORE, August 15 (PTI): The Police Administration of Chandernagore City, run by the French authorities for the past 250 years was handed over to the President of the city's Administrative Council, Mr. Deben Dash, at a short and impressive ceremony here this morning. This marks the first step towards de facto transfer of Chandernagore to the Indian Union.

The newly appointed Police Commissioner of Chandernagore Mr. Bimal Sen, whose services had been lent to the Administrative Council by the West Bengal Government, took over charge from the present incumbent M. Dejore. The West Bengal Government had also sent a batch of 34 police men with Mr. Sen to help the Administrative Council maintain law and order in the town.

The transference ceremony over, Dr. Dash hoisted the Indian Union flag over the building of the Administrative Council and later Mr. Dash and M. Tailleur, Administrator of the town took the salute at a joint parade of the French and India police. Both the French national anthem and the 'Janaganamana' were played by the respective bands.

The function almost synchronised the flag hoisting ceremony held all over India today in observance of th esecond anniversary of India's Independence Day.

Dr. Pattabhi Sitarammaya, President of the Indian National Congress, in a telegram to Mr. Deben Dash on the occasion said: "Chandernagore's returning to India gives joy of the lost sheep recovered by the shepherd. May the recovery lead to absorption and assimilation."

Mon. Tailleur, the French Administration, speaking on the occasion, hoped that this transference would augur for better relationship between India and France in future.

Mr. Deben Dash, President of the Administrative Council, said that it was a matter of great joy that French had to-day transferred the guardianship of law and order to the Administrative Council. The Government of India had agreed to co-operate through the West Bengal Government in the new task of the Council, he added.

HISTORY OF CITY

The French got control over Chandernagore by virtue of a Sanad granted by Emperor Aurangzeb in the latter part of the Seventeenth Century. In 1707 the French built the Fort of Orleans here. This fort is now being used as the police headquarters.

On March 23, 1757, Robert Clive attacked Chandernagore in spite of Nawab Sirajuddovla's opposition. In fact the Nawab did not want the peace of Bengal be disturbed for the sake of Anglo-French conflict in Europe and actually sent one of his generals to help the French. But Clive was able to occupy the city.

As a result of the Treaty of Paris concluded at the end of the Seven Years' War, the English restored Chandernagore to the French. The English occupied Chandernagore three times later, but finally surrendered it to the French at the end of the Napoleonic Wars in 1815. Since then Chandernagore had remained French as the only non-British settlement on the River Hooghly, 21 miles from Calcutta. The settlement is four miles long and one mile broad.

Chandernagore has been intimately connected with other parts of Bengal throughout the three centuries of foreign domination. In fact it had been the stronghold of political movements during the Swadeshi days and later till the August Revolution of 1942.

GENEVA: Choukey El Kouatly Bey, ousted from the Syrian presidency by the late Colonel Husni El Zaim, is receiving telegrams in his Swiss villa urging him to return as President to home from San Francisco by special Damascus, his Seiretary said here today.

FIRST TO BE TACKLED, FOOD PROBLEM

Mr. Pakvasa's Exhortation

NAGPUR, August 15. (P.T.I.:: Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, Governor of the Central Provinces, in a talk from the Nagpur station of the A. I. R. this evening, stressed that the food problem was in the forefront among the many problems that India had to battle with. Declaring that the problem required great resources and a revival of interest both in Government and in the people, Mr. Pakvasa said, "This adversity in food may be taken as a blessing in disguise. It has sharply turned the attention of the people again to the long neglected farmer and the unfortunate villager".

EMANCIPATION OF COMMON PUBLIC

Early Solution For Economic Ills

PATNA: Mr. M. S. Anev, Governor of Bihar, in an Independence Day message stressed the need for the people and the Government to "bend their energies jointly to solve the difficulties".

"Certain disrupting forces are raising their heads and threatening to disturb the internal peace. While it is necessary to deal with them with a firm hand, it is equally imperative to find a solution for the economic problems which are rendering the lives of millions of our countrymen miserable", the message said.

Section 144 In Masulipatam

MASULIPATAM, August 14, (PTI): The sub-divisional Magistrate, Masulipatam, has issued orders under Section 144 Cr. PC prohibiting processions, meetings and other demonstrations and other "activities of Communists programmed for today except those held in connection with the salutation of the Indian Dominion flag."

The prohibitory order states "the Kistna District Communist Party has instructed village committees in Divi and Bandar talukas in Godavari district to observe August 15 as anti-repression day and organise hunger-strikes by students workers and agricultural workers and other labourers and take oath to end the fascist Congress regime and hold meetings and processions."

The order which takes effect from today will remain in force for a week.

HOMI MODY'S CALL

Uphold Honour Of Flag Early Solution For

LUCKNOW: The U. P. Governor, Sir Homi Mody, performing the flag salutation ceremony at the Victoria Park this morning said: "Let us close up our ranks on this anniversary of independence and firmly resolve that we shall uphold the honour of this flag and that we shall not fail."

Sir Homi Mody, who was heard by a large gathering in light drizzle, paid a tribute to the Armed Forces, who "covered themselves with glory in recent operations" and police, who "need our confidence and encouragement."

COMMUNISM CAN BE CHECKED

Not Too Late, Says Quirino

LOS ANGELES, August 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter): President Elpidio Quirino of the Philippines told repporters in his arrival here from New York that although China was "afire with communism" it was not too late to check the spread.

He said that his administration was combating Communism by improving the economic conditions of the average Filipina, lending money for farm equipment and making it possible for the farm worker to become a farm owner. The Government was buying up large land holdings and reselling them to farm workers in small parcels.

Questioned about Japanese reparations, President Quirino said that the Philippines was not willing to accept equipment. "the Philippines will just wait and get cash", he said. "We intend to exact from Japan every last cent of payment for the property and the lives of Filipinos taken by the Japanese". The President will fly Philippines aft liner.

KOREAN REPUBLIC'S FIRST ANNIVERSARY

MacArthur's Praise

SEOUL (SOUTH KOREA), Aug. 15 (PTI-Reuter. — General MacArthur, Supreme Allied Commander in Japan, today praised the "magnificent progress by the Korean people" in fabrication of their new Republic.

A message from the general read at the celebrations of Korea's First Anniversary as a Republic, declared that "men of goodwill everywhere were heartened by witnessing the erection upon a vital sector of an edifice representative of human freedom."

The United States Ambassador Mr. John J. Muccion, who addressed the ceremony assured the Koreans that the Independence they had gained would never again be lost.

Rajasthan Refugees Give Up Hunger Strike

JAIPUR, August 13 (UPI): Refugees at Marwar junction and Pali refugee camps who went on hunger-strike on July 26 as a protest against the decision of the Government of Rajasthan to stop free ration to them from July 31 in all camps, have now given up their hunger-strike.

The main demand of the refugees was the grant of Rs. 13 per head in lieu of free ration till rehabilitation loan was advanced for them to go to Madhya Bharat to find places where they could rehabilitate themselves. This was agreed to and the hunger-strike was given up.

"I AM PROUD OF MY TEAM"

Cariappa's Message To The Army

NEW DELHI, Aug. 15. (PTI): The Commander-in-Chief, Indian Army, General K. M. Cariappa, in an independence anniversary message to all ranks in the army, says, "in the last two years we have made sacrifices in many ways in the service of our country and everyone in the army has done his or her best to enhance the good name of the army. I feel proud to be the captain of this team—our army. Let us all, no matter what ranks we hold, resolve today that in the coming year and in the years to come, to give of our best, imbued with the highest degree of moral integrity, sincerity, honesty and loyalty combined with the highest standards of discipline and a spirit of selflessness and self-sacrifice in the service of our country.

"We will further resolve to help our country to take her rightful place alongside the leading nations of the world. In doing this, I wish you all to remember that we have no aggressive motives. Our main role, as you know all is, firstly and primarily, the defence of the frontiers of our motherland against external aggression and secondarily, to help our Government to carry out its functions internally if and when such help is asked for.

"I have the fullest confidence in everyone of you to help me make this army of ours the best in the world. It can be done, remember this is not impossible when we have gallant officers and grand jawans".

BRITISH COUNCIL'S WORK IN INDIA

BOMBAY, August 14, (UPI): The British Council which acts in close co-operation with the UNESCO aiming at cultural co-ordination among the Commonwealth countries and Great Britain, is carrying on its activities in India quite satisfactorily, according to Sir Angus Gillan, Officer-in-Charge of the British Council.

Sir Angus who is now on his way to Australia to assume his new office there was in the British Council in India lately.

In an interview here today he said that Britain would like India to be more reciprocal in the matter of cultural co-ordination between the East and the West.

Sir Angus also informed that in response to the British Council's move, India is sending scme research scholars to the United Kingdom with the purpose of studying the cultural trends of Britain.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

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NEW YORK, August 15.

Previous Closing	30.00
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Difference	+5

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, August 15.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 29-3/8.

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United States Steel Common dol. 23.

United States Steel Preference unquoted.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Quietly Irregular Trend

LONDON, August 15. (P.T.I.-Reuter): The strength of British Government Securities was the feature of today's trading on the London Stock Exchange. Owing to bear covering and investment support these issues moved higher with gains on the day runging from one-eigth to one and quarter per cent.

Oils however were dull on the Syrian situation and disappointment with the Canadian Eagle report (the aggregate income for 1943 was £2,306,000 compared with £2,410,000 for the previous year) Canadian Eagle lost one shilling to around 28 shillings..

Elsewhere most sections were quiet but generally well held with industrials mainly a few pence better. Small gains were registered among breweries and tobaccos.

After an initial firmness Kaffirs lost ground following profit-taking and closed quietly irregular.

14,000 Workers Abstain

CALCUTTA, August 15, (PTI): Nearly 14,000 workers of the engineering department of the Calcutta Corporation, who, it is alleged, were refused a full holiday today, abstained from attending their duties. Men of the essential services, however, stuck to their posts.

The workers celebrated the day by hoisting National flags at different centres. Later, meeting at the lawn of the Municipal office they adopted a resolution demanding declaration of a general holiday on Independence Day and full extra wage to the workers carrying on essential services.

CUSTODY AND MANAGEMENT OF EVACUEE PROPERTY

Bill To Empower Dominion Legislature

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, August 15.

MR. Gopalaswamy Ayyangar has given notice to move bill further to amend the Government of India Act 1935 in the Constituent Assembly on August 18.

The statement of objects and reasons of the bill according to lobby reports says: "After partition of the country, practically the whole of the non-Muslim population of West Punjab had to migrate to India. Owing to the insecurity of life and property, the non-Muslim population of the North-West Frontier Province, Sind and West Pakistan could not stay in those areas and was also forced to migrate to India.

"Large numbers of Muslims left East Punjab and East Punjab States during the disturbances which followed the migration of non-Muslims from West Punjab. Owing to the setting up of the Dominion of Pakistan, Muslims have also left other parts of India because among other reasons they found new employment in Pakistan Government or could take advantage of vast business and other opportunities available in Pakistan owing to the forced migration of the non-Muslim population.

"Two problems have arisen as a consequence namely property has been left behind in either Dominion by those who have migrated to the other Dominion. This is being called evacuees' property.

"It has to be taken over, managed and disposed off according to any agreement reached between the two Dominions.

Secondly, incomers had to be given immediate relief on arrival and have to be rehabilitated in India.

EXECUTIVE POWER

"As the question of evacuees' property is constantly under negotiation between the two Dominions, and as satisfactory settlement can only be reached between those Governments, it is necessary that the Dominion Legislature should have power to make laws with respect to the custody and management and disposal of evacuee property and the Dominion Government should be able to exercise executive authority in relation to such matters when necessary."

"Such powers if conferred on the Dominion Legislature, will ensure uniformity in legislation. It is accordingly proposed to insert new entries 31-C relating to the custody, management and disposal of evacuee property in the concurrent legislative list.

"While the Provincial and State Governments have been rendering great help in the enormous task of relief and rehabilitation of displaced persons who have come to India, the Central Government has been bearing almost the whole expenditure. In some cases the Central Government has to administer relief directly and also to plan to carry out schemes of rehabilitation."

"It is considered necessary therefore to obtain also current jurisdiction for the Centre in matters concerning relief and rehabilitation of displaced persons. The new entry 31-C has accordingly been proposed for insertion in the current legislature list.

"As it may be necessary in either of the aforesaid cases for the Centre to assume executive authority, it has been proposed to amend sub-section (1A) of Section 8 of the Act to enable the Dominion Legislature to confer such power on the Dominion Government.

"Should it become necessary that the general election under the Government of India Act 1935 in West Bengal or any other Province has to be ordered at any time, special provision may have to be made for the extention of franchise to those displaced persons from Pakistan who have settled or intend to settle permanently in India."

"It may be that these elections will have to be held on the basis of joint electorates with reservation of seats. The composition of the West Bengal Legislative Assembly for example may also be increased in order to give representation to persons who have migrated into West Bengal."

"Every one of these proposals will involve amendment of provisions contained in 50 of sixth schedule to the Act or in orders made thereunder. As the final decision in regard to any of the matters has not so far been taken, it is not possible to include in the bill specific amendments."

"It has therefore been proposed that necessary power to amend the act for this purpose should be vested in the Governor-General. Clause 4 of the bill gives effect to this proposal."

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY AND CLOSURE OF INDUSTRIES

Indian Chambers Of Commerce Appeal To Government

NEW DELHI, August 14, (UPI): A resolution viewing "with alarm" the recent developments relating to article 24 in the draft constitution of India regarding acquisition of property, was unanimously passed by the Committee of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry at its meeting in New Delhi today, under the chairmanship of Shri K. D. Jalan, President of the Federation.

The Committee are shocked to find that it is proposed to draft the relevant article in such a way that property could be acquired even with nominal compensation, thus amounting practically to expropriation, and without recognising the justiciable rights of the parties concerned", the resolution stated.

In the considered opinion of the Committee, no person should be deprived of his property, movable or immovable, agricultural or non agricultural, including any interest in commercial or industrial undertakings, save by authority of law and after payment of fair and equitable compensation. Such fundamental right should be justificiable for all types of property.

The Committee point out that serious repercusions, would follow if property rights are not made justiciable, it will strike at the root of the whole economic structure and will shake the confidence of the people in the stability of the country".

The Committee, therefore, appeal to the authorities concerned that they should be guided in this INMPR... important matter by considerations of equity, fairplay and justice. The Committee like reminded them of the pledges given by and on behalf of the Congress in this connection from time to time, and express the hope that those pledges will be duly honoured both in letter and in spirit".

Besides the question of acquisition of property and payment of compensation, the Committee, of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry also discussed the Government's policy in regards to closure of industrial undertakings, and the desirability or otherwise of India ratifying the Havana charter.

In regards to closure of industrial undertakings the Committee were of opinion that the obligations of industry in this regards should not go beyond giving a month's notice before closing down to Government and the proposed provincial body that would be set up for the purpose. "If the provincial body or Government fail to remove the causes which lead to the closing down of the undertaking, the management concerned should be free to close the undertaking" the resolution states. Should the Government, however, feel that the undertaking concerned should continue to run, then it was the responsibility of the Government to bear the loss that might be incurred on account of the running of the undertaking, as directed by the Government. The principle of prior information to the Government and the relevant provincial bodies should not be applicable to any seasonable factories. The working of which materially differ from that of fernnial ones.

On the question whether India should ratify the Havana charter on world trade and employment or not, the Committee felt that it should be considered in the light of the objectives of the charter and the obligations implicit in the acceptance of the membership of the International Trade Organisation. According to the Committee, India could not subscribe in toto to the Charter's objective of liberalisation of international trade through substantial reduction of tariff levels. For a none too developed country like India, increased foreign trade by itself would not assist development of the national economy which was of prime importance. Moreover, the restrictions which the I.T.O. would place on the member's fiscal autonomy would hinder and retard the rapid industrialisation of the country. In the circumstances, the Committee decided to request the Fiscal Commission, to whom the matter has been referred to advise the Government of India not to ratify the Havana charter..

MIND OF MAHARASHTRA

(Continued from Page 6)

is concerned the local socialists are hardly likely to entangle themselves with Mr. Sarat Bose. It was freely mentioned that the primary object of the Calcutta leader's Poona visit was to straddle himself on the political back of Mr. Shankarrao More. But it is a shrewd back. Mr. More knows very well—and the press reminds him often of the fact that in Maharashtra it is not loyalty to the Congress party that is being disliked but it is the conduct of its present leadership which is under heavy criticism. It is by no means the case that an appreciable number of voters will turn socialists, however heavy this criticism. The elections to the local bodies at Sholapur and two other places are a sharp reminder of this fact. So Mr. More will be content, very probably, to pay only lip-service to left unity.

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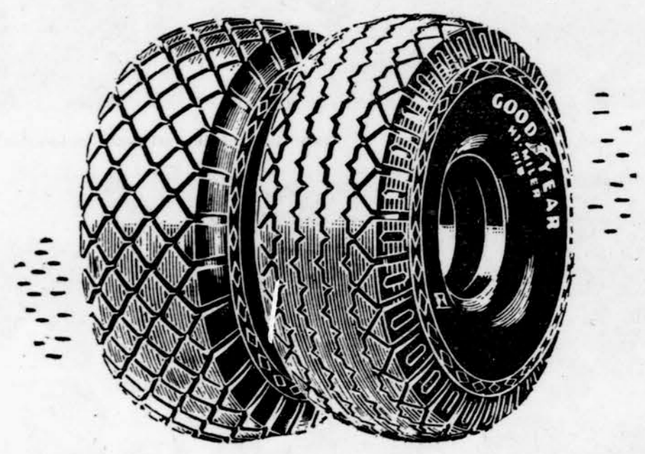

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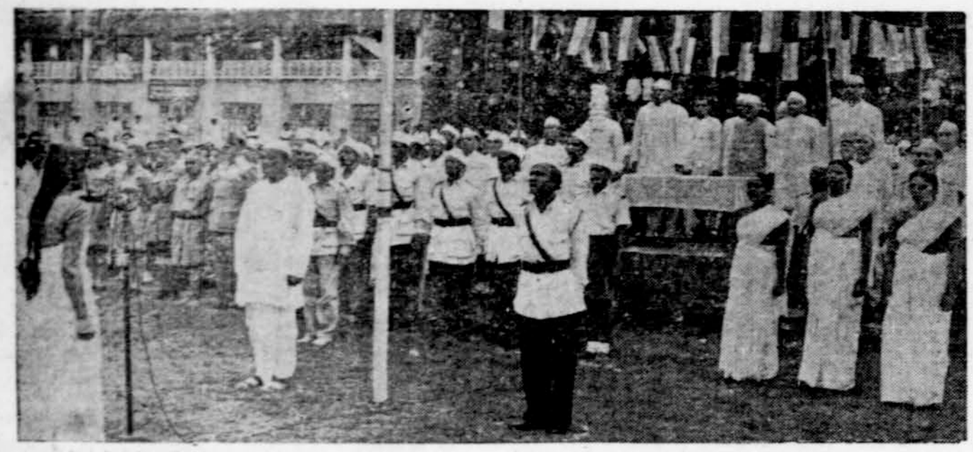
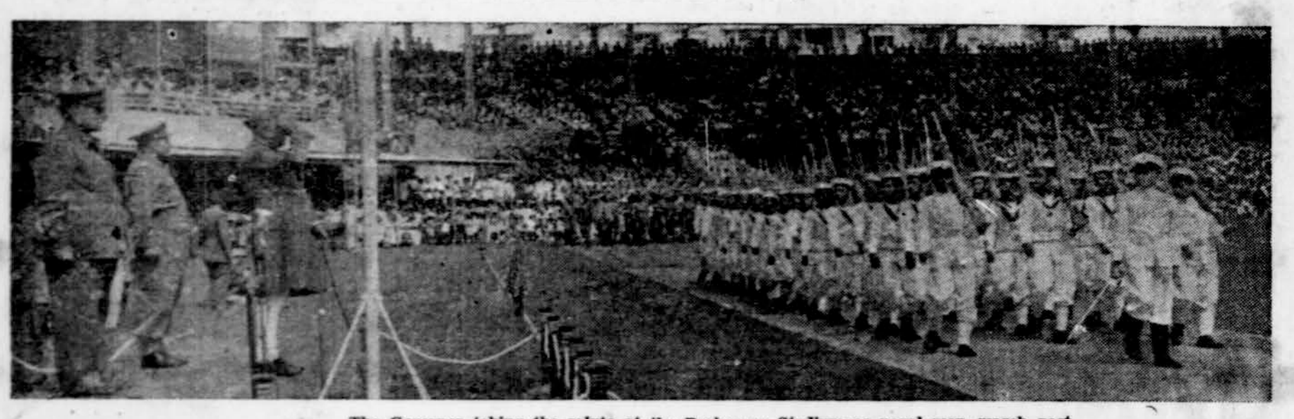
Unforgettable Scenes Of Independence Day Celebrations In Bombay



At Gowalia Tank, scene of history-making events, Mr. S. K. Patil, Mayor, unfurls the flag, and along with thousands of others stands to attention as the national anthem is sung.

Thousands of Bombay's Muslims took part in the celebrations.



The Governor taking the salute at the Brabourne Stadium as naval men march past.

Two views of the afternoon procession.

At Chowpatty: The crowd being addressed by Mr. S. K. Patil.

At the Brabourne Stadium: Governor inspects Women Home Guards.

Some of the guests present at the Stadium function. In the front row from left to right are Dr. Sanderego (Consul for Switzerland), Mrs. Timberlake, Mr. G. V. Kitson (U.K.'s Deputy High Commissioner) and Mr. C. H. Timberlake (Consul General for the United States).

The Indian National Theatre on Monday staged at Worli, Grant Road, Bori Bunder and Colaba a dance drama entitled "Till 1951". The troupe moved from one part of the city to the other in two lorries which served as a mobile theatre. Picture shows a scene from the drama.

Lasting Peace For Mankind

C. R. EXPOUNDS POLICY

NEW DELHI, Aug. 15 (PTI): The Chinese Ambassador Dr. Chia-Luen Lo, Doyen of the foreign diplomatic corps in India called on the Governor-General Mr. C. Rajagopalachari this morning and tendered the greetings of the members of all foreign embassies in Delhi.

Replying to the greetinge tendered on behalf of the Diplomatic Corps, Mr. Rajagopalachari said:—

"The joy of our freedom is shared by you on behalf of all the nations of the world on this second anniversary day of our independence. I thank you for this noble gesture of yours on behalf of the Diplomatic Corps in Delhi to whom and through them to all the nations of the world I request you to convey the gratitude of my Government and of the people of India.

"India's fervent hope and prayer as well as firm policy is that lasting peace and fellowship may be established for all mankind and reign over the world. May that great day dawn on us all soon and meanwhile let all our efforts and thoughts be devoutly directed towards that consummation."

Dr. Chia-luen Lo replied that he would convey the Governor-General's message to his colleagues.

MIXED GRILL

By Grumbler

OUR Freedom is incomplete, it is partial. It is only top few that have really obtained Freedom. The many are still in chains.'

Thus runs the refrain of all current political utterances, from carping Critics, disgruntled Socialists, conscientious Congressmen, revolutionary Reds and everybody else who has a chance to say a mouthful.

Here, therefore, is a list of what various people desire for Freemom to be complete and universal

JOURNALISTS: Freedom from interviews, statements, press conferences.

CONGRESS MERI: Freedom from criticism from friends. Kicks from hostiles, of course, are in a different category.

COMMUNISTS: Freedom to throw bombs and cry 'Jai Stalin.'

SOCIALISTS: Freedom to defy laws. This must be exclusive and not extended to Communists.

CAPITALISTS: Freedom from all manner of Controls.

WORKERS: Freedom from work.

MOTORISTS: Freedom to knock down pedestrians, stray cows, police signal posts or whatever else stands in the way.

PEDESTRIANS: Freedom to cross any road, and time, anyhow.

POLITICIANS: Freedom to talk any nonsense they like.

PREMIERS: Freedom from Legislatures and bye-elections.

STUDENTS: Freedom from lectures, seminars, messy practicals and examinations. Attendance at Unions, Gymkhana activities and Dramatic recitals may, however, be enforced.

SPORTSMEN: Freedom from all manner of discipline. Giving autographs to female admirers may, however, be permitted, as an exception.

FILMSTARS: Freedom from paint, publicity men and vociferating cine-fans.

SELF-STYLED CHAMPIONS OF FREEDOM, OF VARIOUS SCHOOLS: Freedom from the tyranny of Truth, Decency, Responsibility, Grammar, Syntax, Spelling and Common sense.

MYSELF: Freedom from all the wierd and confused noises and turmoil of Freedom Anniversary celebrations.

GREETINGS FROM INDONESIA

NEW DELHI, August 15.—In a message on the anniversary to the Governor-General of India, President of the Republic of Indonesia Dr. Soekarno said: "It is a day of great joy for us; for India's joy is also Indonesia's joy, even as Indonesia's sorrow has been India's sorrow. We Indonesians celebrate your Independence Day with very deep feelings of affection since we are still in the midst of our struggle for the deathless cause of freedom."

"It is our belief that India's struggle is Indonesia's struggle: India's freedom is Indonesia's freedom and India's succeess is Indonesia's too. For what mighty forces can withstand this gigantic struggle for Asia's freedom in which Burma, India and other countries of Asia have rapidly and in turn achieved their freedom?

"On this occasion I once again salute India and pay my reverent homage to the sacred memory of Mahatma Gandhi. India and Gandhiji have frequently inspired me and our struggle for freedom and in those lonely years when I had been exiled from my own people or confined to dark prison cells only because I sought freedom for my people, it was my strong belief in God and the inspiring spirit of India that raised my hopes and my own faith in our case."

Sri Rajagopalachari replied: "Your Excellency's message on the occasion of the second anniversary of India's Independence has deeply moved me and my Government and strengthened the bonds of sympathy and friendship that unite our two peoples. We have watched Indonesia's struggle for freedom with solicitude and sympathy born of common experience. We are proud to be told that our example, under the inspiring leadership of Mahatma Gandhi has been to Your Excellency and your people a source of encouragement and strength. It is our earnest wish that the negotiations now about to begin between the representatives of Indonesia and Holland will be crowned with success and that Indonesia will soon take her place among the free nations of the world.

"Ties of history and culture bind our two countries and strengthen the unity of our effort to enlarge the bounds of freedom in the world and ensure lasting peace. Merdeka."

MUTT AND JEFF—Wouldn't This Give You A Pain In The Neck? By BUD FISHER

CONDITIONS FOR WORLD PEACE

COLOMBO: Mr. V. V. Giri, Indian High Commissioner broadcasting today on the second anniversary of India's independence said that world peace could only be secured if the nations of the East became politically and economically independent. Asia and the world would be saved when the ideals of truth and non-violence had replaced the cult of the atom bomb.

Of Indo-Ceylon relations Mr. Giri said: "India and Ceylon have been connected for centuries as good neighbours by historic associations and cultural ties and nothing can separateed them.

"I believe, therefore, it is good for India and Ceylon to cultivate and foster the ideal of neighbourly feelings, bearing in mind that we are all citizens of Asia."

We Share Your Joy, Says Burmese Premier

RANGOON, Aug. 15, (UPI): "It has given me very great pleasure to accept the invitation to attend this meeting today to celebrate the second anniversary of independence of India. This is a day of rejoicing not merely for the people of India but also for the people of this country", declared Thakin Nu, Prime Minister of Burma, addressing the public meeting organised by the All-Burma Indian Congress to celebrate the second anniversary of Indian Independence today.

He added, "We in this country have watched with considerable admiration the successful struggle waged by the people of India for their independence. We are now keenly interested in the efforts that the Government and the people of India are making for improving the condition of the country. We wish them every success.

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